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Giving meth labs the cold shoulder

Examples of Meth Legislation

Federal Laws Signed In 2006

- Buyers of restricted pseudoephedrine and ephedrine must show picture ID and sign logbook
- Retailers must keep restricted products behind the counter (excludes liquids and gel packs)

Oregon Laws Signed In 2004

- Cannot possess more than **24 grams** of pseudoephedrine or ephedrine under non-suspicious circumstances, **9 grams under suspicious circumstances**
- Must show picture ID and sign logbook for purchases of pseudoephedrine or ephedrine products
- Retailers must keep restricted pseudoephedrine or ephedrine products behind the counter
- Added in 2006: Restricted products must be bought with a prescription

Oklahoma Laws Signed In 2004

- Cannot buy more than **9 grams** of pseudoephedrine at a time
- Must present ID and sign logbook when buying pseudoephedrine or ephedrine products
- Retailers must keep restricted pseudoephedrine or ephedrine products behind the counter

Iowa Laws Signed In 2005

- Cannot buy more than **7.5 grams** of pseudoephedrine or ephedrine within 30 days
- Buyers must show picture ID and sign logbook
- Excludes purchases of products with less than .36 grams of pseudoephedrine or ephedrine
- Retailers must keep restricted products behind the counter

Pseudoephedrine laws have proven to be a veritable juggernaut in Iowa's fight against dangerous, clandestine meth labs. But addicts remain numerous, and outside manufacturers continue to oblige their habits and occupy the state's drug-fighting resources.

BY DEAN TREFTZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

When they harm neighbors, endanger children, ruin the environment, and even explode, the hazardous labs in which methamphetamine is cooked become bitter reminders that drugs such as cocaine or heroin don't leave behind.

From the late 1990s to 2004, the number of meth labs dotting rural America grew astronomically, especially in Iowa. In 2004, the 30th-most populated state hosted the second-most meth labs in the country. Law-enforcement responses to labs in the state grew from 661 in 2000 to 1,500 — more than four a day — in 2004.

This rapid growth is exactly why the sudden drop in the number of labs over the past two years is so compelling.

The unique struggle over meth in Iowa is continually evolving — from the minimal use of the drug before the 1990s to the explosion of in-state use and manufacture to a new state strategy focused on treatment, now that Iowa's meth production has largely subsided.

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In a four-part series this week, *The Daily Iowan* will explore the complexities — and consequences — of methamphetamine, a drug that has destroyed the lives, broken the families, and debilitated the health of countless Iowans.

Wednesday: Health-care professionals at the UI Hospitals and Clinics work to treat the myriad maladies that so often plague meth addicts.

Thursday: Children are often left behind in the tragic tribulations of meth-addicted parents — yet many times, they provide the motivation to stay sober.



ON THE WEB

- Look for *The Daily Iowan's* methamphetamine coverage on the web at DAILYIOWAN.COM/METH
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Regents to look anew at four finalists

BY DANNY VALENTINE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The state Board of Regents will re-examine the four candidates proposed by the UI presidential-search committee, Regent Amir Arbisser said on Monday night.

The decision to take another look at the four candidates came as a result of 90-minute closed session on Monday morning, he said. But Arbisser declined to comment on whether the regents would also examine outside candidates or if they would choose only from the four finalists.

On Nov. 17, regents voted, 6-2, to reject the four finalists forwarded by the search committee and disband it, angering many UI faculty, staff, and students.

Since that time, secrecy has enshrouded the process, and closed meetings and a need for confidentiality have clouded future plans for the



Arbisser regent

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Inmate profile stresses violence

Facebook is normally a social networking tool, but for DANIEL CORBETT — who is serving 10 years for manslaughter — and friends, it has become a means to glorify violence

BY TERRY MCCOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

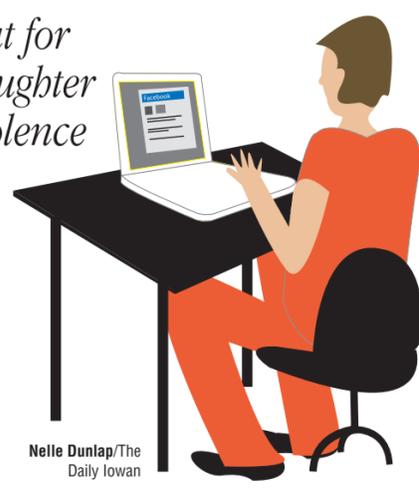
More than a year after he was convicted of beating a UI student to death, the Facebook profile of Daniel Corbett, now in prison in Anamosa, showed he was a member of the CHICAGO'S ELITE HEAVY HITTERS — a group apparently committed to the glorification of extreme violence, heavy drug use, and the degradation of women.

His title?

“Chief executive dome smasher.”

Friends of Corbett, who update his profile and maintain that the Heavy Hitters membership was a joke, pulled Corbett from the group soon after being questioned by *The Daily Iowan*. Regardless, the images of battered faces and illicit drugs that dominate the group's “Photos” page represent what state prison officials called a troubling link — made available by the popularity of Internet-based social networks — between criminals and the outside world.

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Attempted assault reported

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

A female UI student reported an assault to UI police on Dec. 2, saying she was attacked while walking on the north side of Van Allen Hall, police said Monday.

Authorities said the woman was outside at roughly 2 a.m., when the aggressor pushed her toward the building and onto the ground. The woman described her attacker as a light-skinned, possibly Latino, man in his 20s.

UI police declined to comment further than what was included in a press release sent out Monday. The incident is still under investigation.

A second assault was reported to Iowa City police at about 8:55 p.m. on Dec. 2, but officials said a further investigation led them to believe the assault hadn't actually taken place.

"The disposition of it was unfounded," Iowa City police Sgt. Doug Hart said.

The case has been closed, he said.

In Iowa City, a series of sex assaults and attempted sex assaults have been reported between August and December. Including the Dec. 2 incident, an estimated 11 assaults have been reported since the fall semester began.

Another incident took place on Nov. 27 at 7:32 p.m. at 420 E. Davenport St., police said. A woman said a light-skinned or Latino man put his hand over her mouth and attempted to rape her, officials reported. The woman said the attacker ran into the backyard and jumped a fence after she fought him off and screamed, authorities reported.

In another recent attack, a woman reported an attempted sex assault when she said a man covered her mouth and touched the front of her body in a parking lot at Upper City Park on Nov. 7, police reported.

Authorities said the woman was getting into her car at 5:36 p.m., when the man, who she said was wearing a dark-colored coat, attacked her. She said after she yelled and broke free of his grip, the man fled west on foot, officers said.

Weekends with home football games also seemed to draw an increase in incidents. On Oct. 7, three attacks were reported, and two were reported during the week of Sept. 15. These coincided with the Purdue and Iowa State football game weekends.

Another assault was reported on Sept. 30, the weekend of the Iowa-Ohio State game, behind the Airliner, 22 S. Clinton St.

Police have so far disseminated two composite sketches of possible attackers. So far, no information about arrests in relation to these incidents has been released to the media.

Victim advocacy and police officials had originally said congestion due to football games could have led to a rise in sex assaults.

The spike in attacks also coincides with a plea from UI administrators for sexual-assault victims to come forward and report incidents. The university reported a sexual-harassment survey showed 5,503 people of an 11,000-person survey reported unwelcome behavior. Of those, only 252 reported the behavior, and only 80 filed formal complaints.

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IC Sexual Assaults This Fall

1. Sept. 9, 3:25 p.m. Intersection of Dubuque St. and Fairchild St.	7. Oct. 7, 2 a.m. Dubuque St. parking ramp.
2. Sept. 15, 7:20 p.m. S. Johnson St. apartment.	8. Oct. 7, 2-3 a.m. Intersection of Lucas and College St.
3. Sept. 16, 9:45 p.m. E. Burlington St. alley.	9. Nov. 7 Upper City Park.
4. Sept. 17 S. Van Buren St.	10. Nov. 27 420 E. Davenport St.
5. Sept. 30 S. Clinton St. behind the Airliner.	11. Dec. 2 North side of Van Allen Hall.
6. Oct. 7, 2 a.m. 700 block of E. Washington St.	

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CLARIFICATION

In Monday's article "A student's long night's journey into day," the *DI* named the story's subject "Rachel" rather than "Sarah," as she is named throughout the rest of the story. At a point, the *DI* was deciding between a number of pseudonyms for the subject, Rachel among them, and that is how that name slipped into the final version of the story.

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IT'S ELECTRIC



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Steve Randall, an electrician contracted by the university, works on lighting in the Seamans Center on Monday. Randall was in the facility all day.

METRO

Judge banishes woman from Internet

A 6th District judge has banned a North Liberty woman's access to the Internet after she faked a pregnancy online and persuaded a Texas couple that they could adopt her twins.

In addition to Internet suspension, Judge David Remley sentenced Shannon Kay Schaffer, 42, to 60 days in jail and ordered her to have no contact with the victims and to serve two years of probation following the time in jail.

Schaffer must also pay Tim and Tammy Northrup of Killeen, Texas \$1,044.11 restitution for items the couple bought her, including a plane ticket.

In addition to jail time, Schaffer will undergo counseling treatment, said Assistant Johnson County Attorney Mike Brennan. Brennan said he has never prosecuted a case like Schaffer's before.

Schaffer was arrested June 5 and charged with second-degree theft. She pleaded guilty to the aggravated misdemeanor of third-degree theft Oct. 17.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

Police charge man with domestic assault

Police have arrested an Iowa City man, accusing him of attacking a woman and causing her to bleed profusely.

Gerell Morgan, 26, was allegedly in a physical altercation with a female at 404 S. Governor St. Apt. 3 at 6:26 p.m., when witnesses reported the fight to the police, officers said.

Authorities said when officers arrived, the woman's blood "covered the walls

and floors" and was on Morgan's body.

Iowa City police Sgt. Doug Hart said the woman's injury was to her forehead. Injuries to the forehead, although minor, tend to cause more blood flow than other areas of the body, he said.

Morgan and the woman were uncooperative with officers, police said.

Morgan faces charges of domestic-abuse assault causing bodily injury, a serious misdemeanor.

On Monday, Morgan was being held in Johnson County Jail on \$2,500 cash-only bond.

— by Emileigh Barnes

POLICE BLOTTER

Clarissa Armstrong, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.

Luke Bell, 23, Coralville, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Ryan Brown, 27, 2801 Highway 6 E Apt. 12, was charged Sunday with possession of a schedule II controlled substance.

Scott Dubree, 21, 630 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana.

charged Monday with fourth-degree theft.

Nasra Fernandez, 18, West Liberty, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Benjamin Fish, 19, 610A Mayflower, was charged Dec. 2 with possession of a fictitious driver's license/ID.

Ryan Jones, 19, Ankeny, Iowa, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Nicole Lara, 26, 2801 Highway 6 E. Apt. 12, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana.

David Munz, 57, address unknown, was charged Monday with third-and-subsequent public intoxication and second-degree robbery.

Justin Novinger, 19, Shenandoah, Iowa, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Peter Nozicka, 19, 630 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana.

Mandy Ossman, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Corey Rasmussen, 19, 4331 Burge,

was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana.

William Rollins, 30, 1001 Cross Park Ave. Apt. C, was charged Dec. 2 with interference with official acts.

Jason Tank, 18, 4302 Burge, was charged Dec. 2 with public intoxication.

Kevin Toohy, 20, 303 N. Riverside, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Calison Weigel, 20, 527 N. Linn St., was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.

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UI grad and Army vet ready to make a difference

Democrat Rep. McKinley Bailey refused 'five or six' nominations for the state Legislature before he finally agreed to run. He won the election.

BY JAMIE HANSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Imagine serving overseas in Afghanistan and Iraq, founding and presiding over the UI Veterans Association, then returning home and winning a state legislative election — all by the age of 26.

While it sounds daunting, Rep. McKinley Bailey did just that. Now, he wants to accomplish even more.

A UI graduate with a degree in international studies, Bailey won the 9th District state House of Representatives election last month, defeating incumbent George Eichhorn, R-Stratford, who had previously served three terms.

Bailey said he refused the Democratic Party's nomination "five or six times" but finally accepted the bid after realizing Eichhorn "was not putting energy [toward] the layoffs at a major employer in [his] hometown."

The Democratic takeover in the elections this November was not why he was voted into office, Bailey said, although it did aid in turning a victory of "200 votes into a victory of 1,000."

As early as June, he began knocking on citizens' doors and said on his campaign website that, while all voters cannot agree on every issue, all Iowans can collectively work on education issues. His priorities for education include raising teacher pay to the national average and linking university tuition rates to increases in the consumer price index.

"A lot of people are frustrated with the Republicans, at a state and federal level," he said, noting especially the "incompetence and corruption the government has been run with over the past few years."

With his November win, he hopes to bring his experience as a soldier with him to office. While the military does not want soldiers involved in civilian government, Bailey — after his honorable discharge — quickly became involved by volunteering for former presidential candidate John Kerry in the Massachusetts senator's 2004 presidential bid.

Bailey's military career began in 1999, after he graduated from high school. He served in the



Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan

UI alumnus and recently elected state Rep. McKinley Bailey, D-Webster City (center), speaks with other new members before the orientation Monday afternoon in Des Moines. Bailey will take office in January. To see a photo slide show of Bailey taking part in the orientation at the Iowa State Capitol, visit www.dailyiowan.com.

U.S. Army as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division, and he participated in more than 120 combat missions while in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"There are a lot of benefits from being in the military," he said. "You deal with other people in stressful work environments."

Lois Gray, the director of external relations for UI International Programs, said Bailey's win is an exciting opportunity for the state.

"People are ready for a change," she said. "Even though the state [population] is aging, citizens are still recognizing a need for the vision of younger people."

She said Bailey's degree in international studies, as well as his military experience overseas, greatly bolstered voters' decisions to elect him.

Bailey "will use his B.A. to bring a global perspective to Iowa issues," Gray said. "He saw things firsthand. Instead of a lot of rhetorical talk, [serving in Afghanistan and Iraq] brought credibility to him."

Like the majority of voters in the 9th District, Gray believes Bailey will make Iowa a better place in which to live, naming his win as a remarkable representation of achievements by UI alumni.

TIMELINE

Important moments in McKinley Bailey's life

- 1980:** Born Nov. 12
- 1999:** Graduated from Webster City High School, Webster City, Iowa
- 1999-2004:** Served in the U.S. Army as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division
- 2000:** Promoted to rank of sergeant
- 2001-04:** Attended Methodist College in Fayetteville, N.C.; graduated with an associate's degree
- 2005-06:** Attended the UI, graduated with a bachelor's degree in international studies
- March:** Announced candidacy for state representative
- Nov. 7:** Won election

Bailey said among other important issues, he has two main goals he wants to accomplish while in office.

"Health care for every hard-working Iowan," he said. "And economic development in rural Iowa."

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Iraq and Afghanistan veteran and incoming state Rep. McKinley Bailey talks with the youngest state representative, Matt Windschill (left), 22, R-Missouri Valley, before the orientation in Des Moines on Monday.

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UI considers specialty housing

UI officials are discussing different aspects of housing outside the dorms

'It was easy to imagine that we would have some Honors students who would be interested in [on-campus apartments].'

— John Nelson, the director of the Honors Program.

BY OLIVIA MORAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Office of the Provost confirmed that the UI is thinking about arranging special housing for students with common academic interests.

Honors students, or students in specific colleges, could have the opportunity to live among similar students in UI-owned apartment complexes around campus. But if anything were to be arranged, it wouldn't be until at least the fall of 2008, said Thomas Rocklin, the UI associate provost for undergraduate education.

"If we were to do something like this, we would solicit proposals from academic units to see how they might use the housing to further their academic programs," he said.

The housing would be similar to Daum Hall, which has reserved its bottom six floors for Honors students for years. The university hopes to also convert the remaining two floors to Honors floors as early as next year, said Von Stange, the director of UI Housing. Stange added that this was the first year Daum was technically considered an Honors dorm.

Daum is home to more than 300 residents who have agreed to live in a designated "quiet house" and are the ideal



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan
Freshman Honors student Kristen Meylor studies for Playscript Analysis in the Blank Honors Center on Monday evening. She said off-campus Honors housing would interest her because she lives in an Honors community now and enjoys it.

students for the prospective housing, officials said.

"It was easy to imagine that we would have some Honors students who would be interested in [on-campus apartments]," said John Nelson, the

director of the Honors Program.

Daum resident Erin Badali, a UI freshman, said she would definitely be interested in Honors apartment housing if that were to be offered. She added that some of the benefits of liv-

ing in Daum would carry over to the apartment.

"It's a lot quieter, and the students are a lot more respectful," she said. "You have a lot more time for homework."

Sarah Johnson, an elementary-education major, said she would also be interested. If students were able to live with other students in the same field, help would easily be available, she said.

"It would make it easier to talk about [academics]," she said. "Then you would be on the same schedule."

Linda McGuire, a College of Law associate dean, said that if the idea were to come to fruition, it would be helpful for students in all different colleges. She added that the complexes would appeal especially to students who are concerned about living close to campus.

"The benefits of that would be that you could study with people," she said. "When the crunch times come, [such as] finals, everybody would understand the same pressures that everybody else is under."

If the apartments are offered, the UI would be only the third Big Ten school to have a program of the sort. Indiana University offers separate complexes for law students, and Michigan State University offers separate apartments for upper-level undergraduates.

But Rocklin could not comment on specifics, such as how much the apartments would cost, how the application process would work, and how many complexes would be purchased, because the project is still in its infancy, he said.

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STUDENTS ORGANIZE

Hunger strike fights for worker rights

BY BRYCE BAUER
THE DAILY IOWAN

For the last 18 days, a group at Purdue University has sworn off food to send a message to the University's president: Sign onto the Designated Suppliers Program.

While more drastic in measure, the protests evoke similar activism by the UI Students Against Sweatshops. Amid such concerns, an ad-hoc committee composed of various university constituencies was formed to analyze the program's viability.

Following the group's recommendation in early May, then-President David Skorton agreed to sign the Designated Suppliers Program agreement, an initiative by the U.S.-based Worker Rights Consortium in which signatories agree to source most of their licensed apparel to factories that allow unions, pay a livable wage, and conform to other human-rights standards.

Now, more than 160 colleges and universities across the nation have pledged their support for the program.

Purdue, however, is still undecided. As administrators hold out, the protesters are refusing to eat.

Mark Franciose, the treasurer of the Purdue Organization for Labor Equality, which organized the protest, said his group chose to trumpet the program because it had already garnered support from universities, students, and industry leaders, while also being open to the change.

"[Purdue officials] haven't responded in a satisfactory way," Franciose said. "They basically have ignored us."

Stemming from a Nov. 16 sit-in in front of President Martin Jischke's office that was termi-

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— Mark Franciose, treasurer of the Purdue Organization for Labor Equality

nated after administrators threatened to suspend the participants, the president agreed to meet with the students on Wednesday — the 20th-straight day that 15 student protesters will have gone without food.

Joseph Bennett, Purdue's vice president for University Relations, said a committee formed to evaluate the issue had voted against the Designated Suppliers Program.

That panel expressed concern about the requirement that apparel suppliers be neutral toward unions, Bennett said, noting there is no such requirement in U.S. and Indiana law. Bennett said Jischke is expected to make a decision within a week after the meeting.

At the high point of the protests, the group had 16 strikers.

But one woman, Franciose said, had to be hospitalized because of the strike and decided not to continue. In an interview Monday afternoon, he said more members were expected to be hospitalized later that night.

"I'm a little loopy right now," he admitted.

Despite those complications, the group has pledged to continue until the Designated Suppliers Program agreement is signed.

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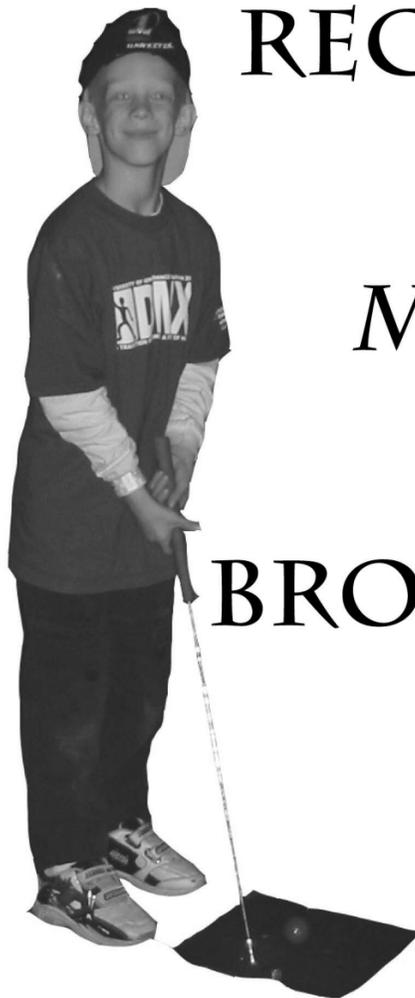
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College to freeze tuition

'You know from the get-go how much you will be paying. You are not struggling to come up with the extra cash next year.'

—Laura Jacobson, junior at Northwestern College

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ORANGE CITY, Iowa — Northwestern College is making a promise to some of its future students — it will freeze tuition for up to five years for freshmen in 2007.

The guarantee is designed to bring financial peace of mind at a time of growing concern over the increasing cost of a higher education.

"We felt so strongly that this was a tool that parents needed to have that we just went out on a limb and said we're going to be the pioneer in this case," said Gerry Korver, the school's director and financial services. "We really expect in the next several years many other schools will do this."

Since 1996, students at private and public colleges in Iowa and nationwide have seen tuition and fees go up by at least 4 percent a year.

At Northwestern, overall costs have risen 28 percent since 2002. Some say the promise of a freeze provides some financial security.

"You know from the get-go how much you will be paying," said Northwestern junior Laura Jacobson, 20, from Galva. "You are not struggling to come up with the extra cash next year."

Nationwide, tuition and fees increased 6.3 percent at four-year public institutions in the past two years. Private colleges saw a 5.9 percent increase, or an average of \$1,238 more, according to the 2006 report put out by the College Board, a non-profit association that promotes access and success in college.

The promise at Northwestern, a four-year Christian liberal arts college with 1,324 students, includes a pledge also not to raise room and board. The offer does not extend to current students.

The guarantee at Northwestern does come with fine print. The next class of freshmen will pay more for tuition than it normally would.

By charging more to freshmen for the 2007-08 academic year, the college will be able to front-load tuition increases that would occur otherwise and be used to cover the cost of new programs, faculty salaries, energy costs, and health care, Korver said.

A new freshman will pay more than under the old system, but juniors and seniors will pay less than they would without the guarantee, Korver said.

"We're taking the risk away from parents and students," he said.

The tuition for freshmen of 2007 has not been set. Northwestern currently charges \$23,506 for tuition, room, and board.

Reviews are mixed about the approach among colleges who have tried it.

In Iowa, Luther College, a private school in Decorah, offered a tuition guarantee in the 1980s and early 1990s, said spokesman Jerry Johnson.

UI disputes study of black law grads

A law-school official says willingness to work long hours and demonstrate leadership are key factors in getting promotions within law firms

'They don't take into account that a lot of people, not just minorities, may not want to stay in big firms.'

— Brooke Harrell, law student

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

Despite a report asserting that black lawyers are less likely to excel professionally because firms hire minority graduates with lower GPAs, a UI College of Law official refutes that assertion.

"Success is not correlated to GPA," said Steve Langerud, the assistant dean for career services in the UI College of Law.

Lawyers who succeed are those who are willing to work long hours, demonstrate leadership, communicate well with clients, and are aggressive, he said.

The combination of those qualities will help make them partner, he said, adding that the qualities may or may not be related to that student's grades.

A University of California-Los Angeles study published in *North Carolina Law Review* said minority candidates with lower GPAs than their white counterparts were increasingly being hired at prestigious

law firms to diversify the workplace.

Because the minority lawyers were brought in under lowered standards, the study contends, they would be less likely to excel than their white counterparts.

Langerud said he hadn't observed any preferential treatment being given to black graduates over white graduates entering the job market from the UI law school.

"Across the board, the [job] market has been good," he said.

Hiring greatly depends on where graduates move and when they take the bar exam, he said. Most employers weigh the quality of the school more heavily than grades, he added.

For example, at a school such as Harvard, firms are more likely to dig deeper into the pool of graduates than at smaller institutions, Langerud said.

Brooke Harrell, a black first-year student in the UI law school, said the study missed important points, such as the fact that not all black students have



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First-year law student Nangah Tabah studies in the law library on Monday.

lower grades than white ones.

"They don't take into account that a lot of people, not just minorities, may not want to stay in big firms," she said.

Simmons Perrine hiring partner David Kutcher said GPA isn't the most important

thing his firm looks at when it hires new candidates for jobs.

"It's more of a case-by-case basis," he said, adding that although his firm looks at the grades of potential workers, they "definitely" weren't a barrier to employment.

Kutcher said his firm had

no threshold GPA for applicants because good grades don't necessarily produce good employees.

To excel in the firm, he said, lawyers must be hardworking and have good people skills.

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States try to rein in methamphetamine labs

METH

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Finding the cure for the common lab

At 77 percent over recent years, no state has had as dramatic a drop in meth labs as Iowa, said Marvin Van Haaften, the director of the Iowa Office of Drug Control Policy.

Across the country, the number of labs is down as well, with 42 states experiencing drops in clandestine lab incidents after several years of nationwide increases.

The key to these changes has not been law enforcement nor tougher penalties in the courts but the availability of a common cold and allergy medicine.

Found in many such drugs, pseudoephedrine is the main ingredient in meth, without which local labs can produce no product. In fact, pseudoephedrine is merely one molecule away from meth.

"There's a myriad of ways to flip that molecule [when making meth], but there was something you couldn't substitute, and that was pseudoephedrine," said state Rep. Kevin McCarthy, D-Des Moines, the ranking minority member of the House Public Safety Committee, until the Democrats take control of the Iowa House in January.

McCarthy and Rep. Clel Baudler, R-Audubon, who is the current chairman of the House Public Safety Committee, were two of the most outspoken lawmakers on stopping meth labs.

In other states, lawmakers began using meth's key ingredient against the drug's manufacturers in 2004, when Oklahoma passed the first law requiring pseudoephedrine registration and behind-the-counter storage. The Sooner State immediately saw a drop in meth labs, according to nationwide law-enforcement statistics.

"We really looked at Oklahoma, and the results were irrefutable," McCarthy said.

Knowing pseudoephedrine was essential to meth, state drug officer Van Haaften interviewed former cooks and confirmed that adopting Oklahoma's new law in Iowa could benefit the state.

The cooks "said that if they had to go to pharmacies and give an ID, sign a signature, and clerks had to look at their face, they'd never buy pseudoephedrine," Van Haaften said.

Now, Iowa's pseudoephedrine control law requires those who are buying products with high amounts of pseudoephedrine — or the less common ephedrine — to show identification and legibly sign their names in a logbook that tracks the drug's sales across the state.

The law — passed in May 2005 — is similar to the slightly weaker federal pseudoephedrine-control law attached to the controversial March re-authorization of the Patriot Act.

"The national [pseudoephedrine-regulation] bill was introduced in recognition of the success of Oklahoma and Iowa," said Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, the chairman of the Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control until January.

Struggles in the political sphere

Grassley, also a member of the informal Senate meth caucus, had seen some opposition to a federal focus on meth from the top of his own party. The five-term senator had repeatedly called for the resignation of President Bush's drug czar, John Walters, and has continually clashed with the White House regarding meth policy.

The Bush administration has focused — notoriously, some experts say — many of its drug policies on marijuana. But recently, it has appeared to increase its attention on meth, most notably by proclaiming Nov. 30 the first National Methamphetamine Awareness



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Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, discusses the implications of methamphetamine-related legislation at his home in New Hartford, Iowa, on July 29.

Day. And closer to home, U.S. Assistant Attorney General Rachel Brand — an Iowa native — spoke about meth to last week's Iowa Drug Task Force Conference in Altoona.

Despite the latest efforts, Grassley said, he is not convinced the administration has come around.

"I believe it's a positive signal," he said in a recent phone interview. "Time is going to tell whether it is an overall policy shift."

A strong, comprehensive campaign against drugs — similar to former first lady Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" campaign — would be more effective, the senator said.

In the past, federal officials had avoided meth control, partly because the drug is historically rooted in only the western United States, the senator said.

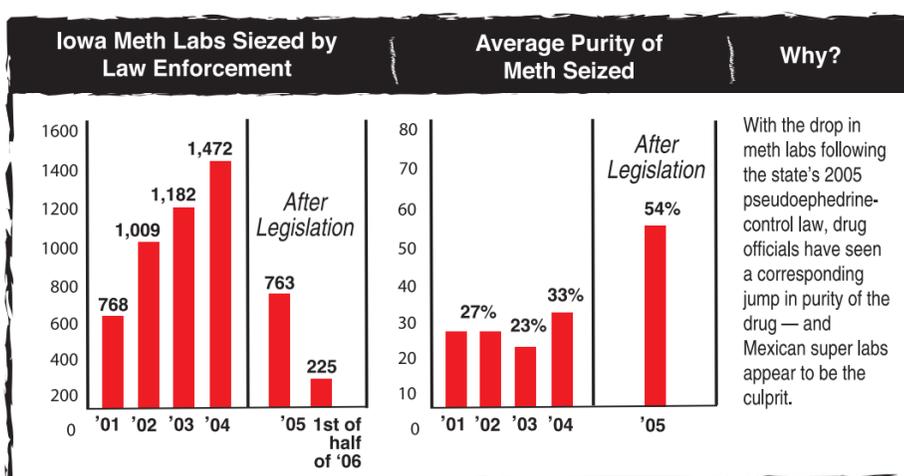
"Until very recently, it's been more of a regional problem than a national problem," Grassley told *The Daily Iowan* in an earlier interview from his farm in New Hartford, Iowa.

"When we asked for [the pseudoephedrine control law], we were very upfront with our state legislators; we are only looking at addressing 20 percent of the problem. But this 20 percent is causing the explosions and the toxic gasses."

— Marvin Van Haaften, the director of the Iowa Office of Drug Control Policy

The top eight states in clandestine meth-lab incidents in 2005 were west of the Mississippi River, according to the National Clandestine Laboratory Database. But the trend has since moved east; in 2004, the third-highest incident-reporting state was Tennessee, followed by Indiana and Illinois.

Iowa legislator McCarthy also ran into some friction while pushing Iowa's pseudoephedrine regulation law. Many lawmakers and other interest groups feared that the restriction of pseudoephedrine purchases would seriously harm Iowa's retail and pharmaceutical sales.



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"We had a bloody, bloody fight for about three months," said McCarthy.

"When we asked for this legislation, we were very upfront with our state legislators; we are only looking at addressing 20 percent of the problem," Van Haaften said. "But this 20 percent is causing the explosions and the toxic gasses."

Killers of the cornfield

Dangerous to operate and expensive to clean up, meth labs and their devastating side effects have become the face of the drug. Few other addictive substances — and none so popular as meth — are as hazardous and as cheap to make.

The chemical-laden environment in which meth is cooked is dangerous for manufacturers and anyone living in its vicinity. Inhaling the toxins can lead to nerve damage, and explosions can lead to gruesome chemical burns.

Edward Bottei, the medical director for the Iowa Statewide Poison Control Center, said most meth labs use anhydrous ammonia, a fertilizer found on most farms, to change pseudoephedrine into meth.

"Anhydrous ammonia is very irritating to the eyes and throat," he said. The chemical can also erode seals on some storage tanks, causing leaks, he added.

A law signed in October may cut anhydrous ammonia's use in the state by introducing a compound that hinders the fertilizer's use in meth production.

Labs can contaminate property and the surrounding environment at disturbing levels. For every one pound of meth generated in a lab, five to

seven pounds of toxic waste are produced, Bottei said.

Some meth cooks leave dangerous chemicals in unmarked bottles or even glasses, resulting in children or friends accidentally drinking the poisonous liquids.

"Meth is probably one of the latest evolutions of experimentation with drugs that has really become quite detrimental to the economy and, obviously, devastating to families," Grassley said.

Iowa's senior senator discussed local incidents of meth-related crimes, from missing tanks of anhydrous ammonia to a suspicious man buying many non-pseudoephedrine meth ingredients.

"By golly, the sheriff tracked him down and found that the guy was involved in methamphetamine manufacturing," the senator said.

Focusing on the future

The changes brought by the drop in meth labs across the state — 83 counties saw a decrease in lab seizures from 2004 to 2005 — have altered Iowa's drug-control policies.

"We have time to devote our resources to more significant investigations," said Rick LaMere, the resident agent in charge of the Drug Enforcement Agency office in Cedar Rapids.

The federal drug agents help clean up local meth labs, and now that the number of labs have significantly decreased, agents can concentrate more on their own investigations, he said.

"We shouldn't be spending our time cleaning ditches," he added.

But officials are quick to point out that despite the declining number of labs in the

state, Iowa's meth problem has far from subsided.

"We've taken some good steps in meth, particularly in regard to fighting the meth labs," said Bill Roach, a spokesman for the state Attorney General's Office. "But the fact is the supply of meth in Iowa is still a problem, even though the number of labs is greatly down."

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— Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa

Also, lawmakers may erroneously believe that the meth problem has been eradicated, because the pseudoephedrine-restriction law was enacted, Roach said.

Meanwhile, Van Haaften is not satisfied despite the drop in the number of labs.

"I don't have any numbers, yet, but I feel like we've plateaued," he said.

Again looking to adopt something similar to an Oklahoma law, Van Haaften will advocate for a real-time pseudoephedrine tracking database so cooks cannot "pharmacy hop."

Looking past labs to addicts, the state must increase its commitment to the availability of treatment, both Roach and Van

Haaften said. Fewer than 55 percent of addicted inmates in the Iowa prison system have been treated, according to the state Department of Corrections.

One recommendation from Iowa's 2007 drug-fighting strategy, released last week, is to separate inmates in treatment programs from the general prison population, mirroring an existing program in Illinois.

Meth must also be fought at the international level, officials said.

Grassley, Roach, and Van Haaften all said Mexico has picked up the meth-lab slack that followed the 2003-06 rush of pseudoephedrine laws across the nation.

"We are really feeling the presence [of Mexican drug cartels], especially with Interstate 35," Van Haaften said.

The recent surge of drug-related violence in Mexico concerned Van Haaften, who noted a grisly spree of beheadings and the January bust of a 400 pounds-per-day meth lab in Guadalupe.

This shift has changed the nature of the meth that is sold on the street.

"The Mexicans have found ways to produce ice better than we have here," Van Haaften said, referring to the crystallized form of meth, which is much more potent than the powder usually produced in Iowa. In fact, Iowa has seen a dramatic rise in purity of meth confiscated since the pseudoephedrine-control law — from 33 percent pure in 2004 to 54 percent in 2005. The state may also see an increase in cocaine availability coinciding with the increase of meth traffic from Mexico, Van Haaften added.

But the problem is not merely America's neighbor to the south. International pseudoephedrine producers have been oversupplying Mexico by almost double the reasonable need for its intended use. China supplied 224 tons of pseudoephedrine to Mexico in 2004, up from 66 tons in 2000, Van Haaften said.

Grassley said the increase in meth imports is an example of the ever-evolving battle between law enforcement and drug cartels: As soon as one problem is curbed, another takes its place.

"It's almost like you don't have enough fingers to poke in the dike."

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'Heavy-hitter' on Facebook

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Corbett, an Arlington Heights, Ill., native, was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the violent death of then-UI senior Michael Kearney. Court documents state he punched Kearney in the face and slammed his head into a concrete wall outside the 323 E. Burlington St. Kum & Go during the early morning of New Year's Eve 2003. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Corbett's profile doesn't mark the first instance of inmates utilizing the Internet to contact the outside world, said Fred Scaletta, a spokesman for the Iowa Department of Corrections. Another example of the trend is former Hawkeye basketball standout Pierre Pierce, who had a Facebook profile that was maintained by a friend while Pierce was incarcerated.

But while Pierce's profile featured posts from adoring fans and acquaintances, the group Corbett belonged to unabashedly promotes the type of violence that landed the 23-year-old in prison.

Corbett's actual profile — which, according to the website, was engineered by high-school friend Ryan Barkan — is relatively tame. It depicts an unsmiling Corbett wearing a backwards Chicago Cubs baseball hat and a gray fleece covering a white undershirt. Throughout the "About Me" section passage, Corbett endearingly thanks his family and friends for their relentless support and pleads with anyone to write him.

But Corbett's connection with the group has left the 23-year-old, who appeared emotional and remorseful for the incident during his trial, open for criticism.

"What happens is constitutional, and we can't stop it. We would like to, but we can't."

— Fred Scaletta, spokesman for the Iowa Department of Corrections

"If you know how to knock off dome blocks, if you know how to break someones back with one arm, ... if you know where the \$\$\$\$ is, THEN YOU A HEAVY ASS HITTER!" the group description states.

Members, mostly from the Chicago area, post such messages as, "def threw a table at a bounces [sic] last night at the bar and then smashed his face in," and "Heavy Hitters Strike Again ... Poor bastards got a broken nose," which underscore their self-proclaimed propensity for violence.

Corrections officials maintain, unequivocally, that inmates are not allowed to access the Internet or e-mail. Profiles, such as Pierce's and Corbett's, then, must be edited by outside sources.

"What happens is constitutional, and we can't stop it," Scaletta said. "We would like to, but we can't."

Darlene Baugh, a deputy warden of Fort Dodge Correctional Facility, said that outside of written letters and an occasional phone call, prisoners are blind to the outside world, adding that she was ignorant to the existence of Facebook.

Fellow members of the Heavy Hitters said that the organization's description and Corbett's membership was nothing more than a joke. And Barkan denied that Corbett was ever involved with the

group, even though the *DI* has a print-out of Corbett's profile that proves he was a member before it was altered. Barkan said Corbett should not be chastised more than is necessary.

"Dan didn't kill the kid on purpose," Barkan wrote in an e-mail to the *DI*. "He was in a bar fight like millions of kids get in every weekend around the United States."

Regardless of whether the group is intended to be humorous, parole officers may not view the group positively, prosecuting attorney Anne Lahey said.

"I think it has very serious implications, because, obviously, this is extremely inappropriate, [given] what he did," she said. "It is very insensitive, and one would have to question the sincerity of his [trial] statements. I was hoping they were true, but one never knows."

Others said they don't believe Corbett's profile will impair his chances of being released early. Dave Castello, an associate warden of security for Fort Dodge Correctional Facility, said if Corbett's prison record remains immaculate, his chances of an early parole would remain high.

One of Corbett's high-school classmates said he was disappointed that Corbett's Facebook profile was associated with the Heavy Hitters.

"There is a mature way to go about things and a not-mature way to do things," UI sophomore Craig Robbins said. "It just seems like [the Heavy Hitters] are in high school — and that they never grew up."

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Regents to mull finalists

After undergoing weeks of criticism for the Nov. 17 decision to jettison the UI presidential-search panel and its four finalists, the board decides to reconsider the quartet

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next UI president, who will replace former UI leader David Skorton.

The possibility of re-evaluating the four finalists has floated around since Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack announced that he would like to see the candidates reconsidered. The governor and presidential hopeful cooled previously heated emotions when he met with regents and UI faculty, staff, and students on Nov. 27.

Arbisser said the 7:30 a.m. telephone conference on Monday was "very constructive."

"We have a direction to move after being at an impasse for a few weeks," he said.

Regent President Pro Tem Teresa Wahlert, as well as Regents Robert Downer and Arbisser, echoed Regent President Michael Gartner's statement at the conclusion of the meeting that it was a "productive session."

Although the regents do not have a timeline in place, Downer said, there would be further develop-



Downer regent



Wahlert regent

ments regarding to the search panel this week.

Meanwhile, Monday's meeting was the third closed meeting in two weeks involving regents about the presidential search. Although a number of UI leaders have been tight-lipped about the search process, many faculty and staff feel the process is too secretive and that the regents are to blame.

UI assistant research scientist George Hospodarsky, a member of the Staff Council, believes the process has been "overly secretive."

"I have not understood the reasoning behind the need for the changes in the process," he said, referring to former UI-led presidential searches. "We are obviously not

"I have not understood the reasoning behind the need for the changes in the process. We are obviously not picking losers."

— UI assistant research scientist George Hospodarsky, and a member of the Staff Council, referring to former UI-led presidential searches

But he said he still has faith in the presidential candidates picked by the search committee.

UI nursing Professor Gloria Bulechek, a member of the Faculty Council, said there was no reason to change the process from previous searches.

"Why fix it, if it is not broken?" she said.

Bulechek said the lack of stability has hurt the College of Nursing's ability to hire a new dean.

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Bolton to resign U.N. post



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John Bolton appears before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Capitol Hill on April 11, 2005, during hearings on his nomination to be ambassador to the United Nations. Unable to win Senate confirmation, U.N. Ambassador John Bolton will step down when his temporary appointment expires within weeks, the White House said on Dec. 4.

BY TERENCE HUNT
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WASHINGTON — Unable to win Senate confirmation, U.N. Ambassador John Bolton will step down when his temporary appointment expires within weeks, the White House said Monday.

Bolton's nomination has languished in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for more than a year, blocked by Democrats and several Republicans. Sen. Lincoln Chafee, a moderate Republican who lost in the midterm elections Nov. 7 that swept Democrats to power in both houses of Congress, was adamantly opposed to Bolton.

Critics have questioned whether Bolton, with his brusque style, could be an effective public servant who could help bring reform to the U.N.

President Bush posed for pictures with Bolton on Monday and commented curtly on his departure. "I received the resignation of Ambassador John Bolton. I accepted. I'm not happy about it. I think he deserved to be confirmed."

"They chose to obstruct his confirmation, even though he enjoys majority support in the

Senate and even though their tactics will disrupt our diplomatic work at a sensitive and important time," Bush said earlier in a written statement. "This stubborn obstructionism ill serves our country and discourages men and women of talent from serving their nation."

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., said Bolton's departure could be a turning point for the administration.

"With the Middle East on the verge of chaos and the nuclear threats from Iran and North Korea increasing, we need a United Nations ambassador who has the full support of Congress and can help rally the international community to tackle the serious threats we face," Kerry said. He said it was an opportunity for Bush to nominate an ambassador "who enjoys the support necessary to unite our country and the world and who can put results ahead of ideology."

Bush gave Bolton the job temporarily in August 2005, while Congress was in recess. Under that process, the appointment expires when Congress formally adjourns, no later than early January.

The White House resubmitted Bolton's nomination last month. But with Democrats capturing control of the next Congress, his chances of winning confirmation appeared slight. The incoming chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Democratic Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware, said he saw "no point in considering Mr. Bolton's nomination again."

While Bush could not give Bolton another recess appointment, the White House was believed to be exploring other ways of keeping him in the job, perhaps by giving him a title other than ambassador. But Bolton informed the White House he intended to leave when his current appointment expires, White House Deputy Press Secretary Dana Perino said.

Bush planned to meet with Bolton and his wife later Monday in the Oval Office.

Bush said he accepted Bolton's decision with deep regret.

"He served his country with extraordinary dedication and skill, assembling coalitions that addressed some of the most consequential issues facing the international community," the

president said. "During his tenure, he articulately advocated the positions and values of the United States and advanced the expansion of democracy and liberty."

"Ambassador Bolton led the successful negotiations that resulted in unanimous Security Council resolutions regarding North Korea's military and nuclear activities. He built consensus among our allies on the need for Iran to suspend the enrichment and reprocessing of uranium," Bush added. "His efforts to promote the cause of peace in Darfur resulted in a peacekeeping commitment by the United Nations. He made the case for United Nations reform, because he cares about the institution and wants it to become more credible and effective."

Bolton, who pushed strongly for U.N. reform, has had strained relations with many in the U.N. Secretariat, led by Secretary-General Kofi Annan, and has repeatedly called for all top U.N. officials to leave when Annan steps down as U.N. chief on Dec. 31 and is replaced by Ban Ki-moon.

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Official's wife in hiding to avoid deportation

BY GIOVANNA DELL'ORTO
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ATLANTA — State Sen. Curt Thompson has been a strong advocate of immigration rights, once speaking in Spanish from the steps of the Georgia Capitol against the adoption of some of the nation's strictest immigration controls.

Now Thompson's Colombia-born wife is in hiding, as federal immigration officials try to deport her.

Sascha Herrera, 28, has been in hiding since Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers arrived at her home Nov. 28 with an order to remove her from the United States. She was not home at the time.

Her attorney, Charles Kuck, contends that she was duped by a man handling her immigration requests and that she never received the immigration notices that triggered her deportation order. While Kuck says neither he nor her husband know where Herrera is, he said that she will turn herself in Tuesday.

"It's the right thing to do," the attorney said. "She needs to get the law to work for her."

Kuck filed a petition Monday to halt her deportation order and reopen her case, arguing that a man filed an asylum petition on her behalf without her knowledge and before her husband sponsored her green card application, based on their April marriage.

The deportation order stems from Herrera's repeated failure to appear before a judge on the asylum application, which Kuck said she did not know had been filed.

The case hinges on whether Herrera received a notice to appear in court and whether the asylum application could have been filed without her knowledge, said Victor Cerda, a former general counsel for Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Kuck said Herrera came to the United States — where her parents have been living — on a visitor visa in 2003. She applied for an extension to the visa through a "notario" — a man who claimed he was qualified to handle legal immigration matters — but did not get it until 20 days before the extension was due to expire.

The notario then suggested an asylum application, which Herrera signed, but she got a "bad vibe" from the man and decided not to proceed, Kuck said.

Later in 2004, she was accepted as a student at Kennesaw State University, which got a student visa for her. She then told the notario she did not want anything to do with him.

She met Thompson last year, and they got married in April, when he applied for her to become a permanent resident. Kuck said Herrera's husband, a Democrat and attorney, would not comment on the case.

But in the meantime, the notario filed the asylum application, listing his address as hers. A telephone number listed for the notario, identified as Tomas Vilela, was being answered Monday by a fax machine.

Cerda said the deportation order in the asylum case would trump any pending green card application and trigger mandatory detention.

Her decision to hide could hurt her request for a judge's stay on deportation, Cerda said. If she turns herself in, she could remain in the United States, while her petition is pending, either in jail or released on bond.

MAKING THE GRADE

Bowl teams improve graduation rates

While this year's BCS teams excel in their graduation rates on the whole, many are still worried about the 25 percentage point difference that separates white and black student-athletes. No. 1 Ohio State graduates just 32 percent of its black players, compared with 85 percent of its white players.

BY TRAVIS REED
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — College football teams headed for the five major bowls this year performed better academically on the whole than the national average, according to a study released Monday.

At these top programs, however, the disparity between black and white graduation rates grows by nearly double.

The nation's best football teams are generally improving in the classroom, according to an analysis by Richard Lapchick, the director of the Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport at the University of Central Florida.

Of the 64 teams invited to bowls this year, 86 percent graduated at least half their players. And 40 of this year's top programs — 62 percent — matched or beat the NCAA's new Academic Progress Rate standard, which is intended to more accurately gauge grades and graduation rates.

The statistics Lapchick used are preliminary and don't include the most recent school year.

Perhaps most strikingly, white athletes in the Bowl

'I go to a lot of campuses to speak, and I'm told on a regular basis that they're recruiting very different student-athletes these days, because they know they can't afford the penalties. A lot of schools that formerly took risks on student-athletes because they were so great athletically, they're no longer recruiting those student-athletes.'

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Championship Series — the top five bowls, including the BCS title game — beat their counterparts among the 119 NCAA Division I-A schools by graduating 81 percent of the time, compared with 62 percent division-wide. The black athlete graduation rate was 56 percent among those schools, also better than the 49 percent overall rate.

But the discrepancy between white and black players' graduation rates for top bowl teams — a 25 percentage point difference — was nearly twice the 13-point divide within the NCAA average.

Unbeaten Ohio State was next-to-last in black academics. The Buckeyes graduated 32 percent of black players,

better only than Georgia (24 percent) among the 64 bowl teams. Ohio State has an 80 percent overall graduation rate for athletes and an 85 percent rate for white football players.

Lapchick said the disparity was a continued concern, but the NCAA's new academic standards are already making a difference.

"I go to a lot of campuses to speak, and I'm told on a regular basis that they're recruiting very different student-athletes these days, because they know they can't afford the penalties," Lapchick said. "A lot of schools that formerly took risks on student-athletes because they were so great athletically, they're no longer

recruiting those student-athletes."

Boston College and Navy, which are meeting in the Meineke Car Care Bowl, had the best Academic Progress Rates of any bowl-bound programs (Navy with 986, BC with 982).

Seven of the eight Atlantic Coast Conference teams in bowls made Lapchick's top 25 academically: Boston College, Clemson, Florida State, Georgia Tech, Maryland, Miami, Wake Forest. The lone exception was among ACC bowl teams' Virginia Tech.

The Academic Progress Rate was developed in 2004; it awards points based on how many scholarship athletes meet academic eligibility standards. A cutoff score of 925 means an estimated 50 percent of those athletes are on track to graduate. Twenty-four schools this year fell below that rate, and that will eventually lead to stiff penalties.

"As our reforms continue to take hold, we expect to see higher levels of improvement and achievement in the overall academic success of our student-athletes," the NCAA said in a written statement. "This is critical, because very

More than half reach their goal

Most teams in this year's bowl games graduated at least half their players and most beat the NCAA's Academic Progress Rate according to a new study.

For bowl-bound teams

Graduated at least half of players

86%

Matched or beat the rate

62%

Graduation rates by ethnicity

BCS teams

All Division I schools

0 20 40 60 80%

Black

White

SOURCE: University of Central Florida AP

few of them will become professional athletes."

Forty-eight schools graduated two-thirds or more of their white players, but just 18 met that mark for black players. Twelve schools graduated less than 40 percent of their black football players, while no program fell below that standard for white players.

Troy was the only bowl school that graduated more black players than white (by 9 percentage points).

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Bush tells Shiite leader Iraq needs to progress

Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim stresses the need for U.S. troops in Iraq to help with escalating violence and says he would welcome the addition of multilateral forces



BY DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush told a Shiite political leader on Monday the United States is not happy with progress in Iraq and sought the cleric's help to curb extremists and terrorists trying to undermine the struggling new democracy.

Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim said U.S.

troops need to stay in Iraq to help deal with escalating violence. He also told Bush that Iraq welcomes help from other nations, including those in the Middle East, so long as they do not bypass Iraq's political process.

"Iraq should be in a position to solve Iraqi problems," al-Hakim told Bush after they met in the Oval Office for more than an hour. Some consider al-Hakim, who

lived in exile in Iran for years, a more powerful political figure than Iraqi Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki. Al-Hakim leads the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the largest Shiite bloc in Iraq's Parliament. His party also is backed by the Badr Brigade militia, which has been blamed for sectarian killings.

The meeting was evidence that Bush, under pressure to find a new

blueprint for his war strategy, was getting more personally involved in the political infighting among Shiites, Sunnis, and Kurds.

"I told him that we're not satisfied with the pace of progress in Iraq and that we want to continue to work with the sovereign government of Iraq," Bush said. He said the young Iraqi government needs to be given more capability as quickly as possi-

ble to secure the country from extremists and murderers.

Bush is scheduled to meet on Thursday with British Prime Minister Tony Blair — a day after the bipartisan Iraq Study Group issues its long-awaited recommendations. Bush also plans to meet next month with Iraq's Sunni Vice President Tariq al-Hashemi. Last week, he met in Jordan with al-Maliki.

Bush
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Padilla's lawyers allege harsh treatment



U.S. Government/Associated Press

In this undated image taken from an unclassified Defense Department video, filed with the court by defense lawyers on Dec. 1, guards shackle the legs of terrorism suspect Jose Padilla. Padilla and two co-defendants are charged with being part of a North American support cell that provided money, supplies, and recruits to Islamic extremists worldwide.

BY CURT ANDERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — Photographs of alleged Qaeda operative Jose Padilla wearing chains, noise-blocking headphones, and blacked-out goggles have been seized on by his lawyers as evidence he was subjected to harsh treatment while in military custody as an enemy combatant.

The still video images were filed late on Dec. 1 in federal court in Miami as part of an effort by his lawyers to get terrorism-related charges against Padilla thrown out because of "outrageous government conduct" during the 3½ years he was jailed without charges.

"The extended torture visited upon Mr. Padilla has left him damaged, both mentally and physically," Padilla lawyer Orlando do Campo said in court papers. "The government's treatment of Mr. Padilla has robbed him of his personhood."

The images, taken from an unclassified Pentagon video, show Padilla chained hand and foot, wearing headphones and goggles, and being led out of his cell by guards dressed in camouflage and wearing riot helmets and visors. The images are the first publicly released photos of his detention at a Navy brig in Charleston, S.C.

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The existence of the video was first reported Monday by the *New York Times*, which published two photos. One of Padilla's lawyers, Andrew Patel, said he was prevented by court rules from releasing a copy of the video or allowing a reporter to view it.

Patel did verify, however, the *Times'* account that one guard on the video states that Padilla is being led from his cell to undergo dental work.

Federal prosecutors and Pentagon officials have repeatedly denied Padilla was tortured. In court papers, they said that he was humanely treated and that the tactics used were for "safety and security" reasons.

"If they pose a threat to the individuals charged with

transporting them, clearly, appropriate measures must be taken to protect the guards and any other personnel involved," a Pentagon spokesman, Navy Cmdr. Jeffrey Gordon, said Monday.

A spokeswoman for R. Alexander Acosta, the U.S. attorney in Miami, had no comment Monday.

Padilla, a 36-year-old U.S. citizen and former Chicago gang member, was declared an enemy combatant by President Bush in June 2002, after he was arrested upon arrival at Chicago's O'Hare Airport. U.S. authorities said he was on a Qaeda mission to detonate a radioactive "dirty bomb" in a U.S. city.

Amid an intense legal battle over the president's wartime detention powers, Padilla was transferred to civilian custody earlier this year to face federal charges of supporting terrorism. Those charges do not mention the "dirty bomb" allegations. Padilla's trial is set for Jan. 22.

In court papers, Padilla claimed that he was forced to stand in painful stress positions, given LSD or some other drug as a "truth serum," subjected to loud noises and noxious odors, and forced to endure sleep deprivation, extreme heat and cold, and harsh lights.



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American among terror suspects jailed in Egypt

Police arrest a group believed to be linked with an Islamic militant terror group plotting attacks in the Middle East

BY NADIA ABOU EL-MAGD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAIRO, Egypt — Police have arrested an American, 11 Europeans, and several others from Arab countries for allegedly plotting terrorist attacks in Middle Eastern countries, including Iraq, the Interior Ministry said on Monday.

The group was part of an Islamic militant terror cell that had adopted extremist ideas; the members were living in Egypt under the guise of studying Arabic and Islamic studies, the ministry said in a statement.

Along with the American, police arrested two Belgians, nine French, and several others from Egypt and other Arab countries, including Tunisia and Syria, the statement said.

The ministry did not provide names or say how many Egyptians and Arabs were arrested.

“Investigations have confirmed that those elements are related to some terrorist organizations abroad,” the ministry said. “They were seeking to recruit others, teach them destructive beliefs, urging them for jihad, traveling to Iraq to carry out operations via other countries in the region.”

In Washington, the State Department confirmed an American had been arrested in Egypt about a week ago but could not provide any details.

State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said American officials were “seeking consular access to this individual” but declined to give more information, citing U.S. privacy laws.

A government official in Brussels also confirmed that the two Belgians were arrested and said they were Belgian citizens of Moroccan origin. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the press.

“It seems they had sympathies with fundamentalist, Islamist circles,” the official said. “There is no evidence that they perpetrated any violent act, and we expect them to be expelled from Egypt soon.”

A spokesman for France’s Foreign Ministry said several French citizens had been arrested in Egypt but said he could not immediately provide further details.

Egyptian authorities made the arrests about a week ago, and some had been studying at Al-Azhar University, Sunni Islam’s most important seat of learning, police officials said.

They spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media. It was not immediately clear if all the arrests took place in Cairo or elsewhere in Egypt.

All of the arrested were in jail, pending further investigation, the ministry said.

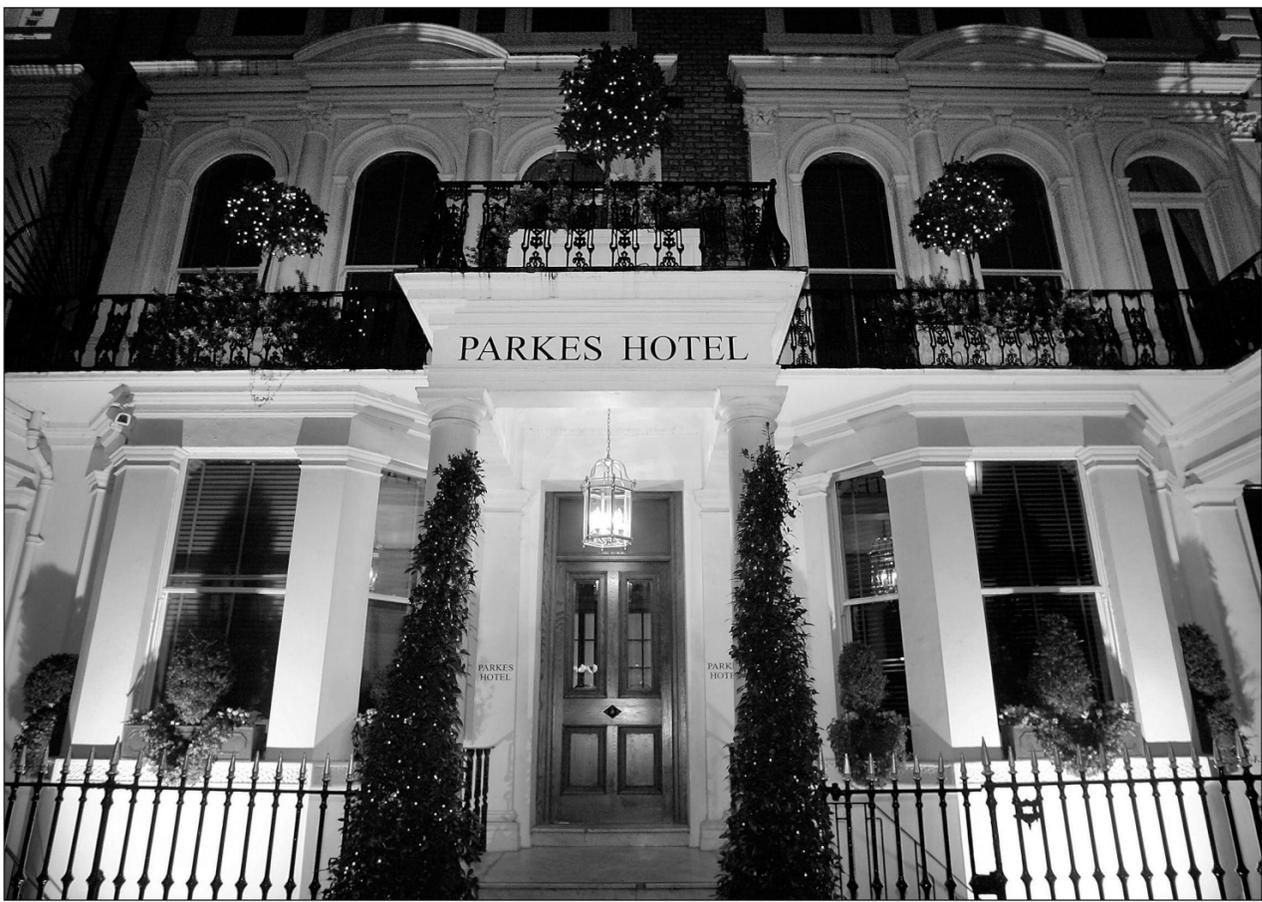
Egypt has witnessed a string of suicide terror attacks in recent years at Sinai Peninsula tourist resorts.

Last week, an Egyptian state security court condemned to death three Islamic militants convicted of taking part in suicide attacks that killed 34 people in 2004 in the Sinai resort of town of Taba.

The three belonged to the militant group Tawhid and Jihad, which Egyptian security officials and prosecutors accuse of carrying out two other bombings against Sinai resorts that killed another 87 people — Sharm el-Sheik in July 2005 and Dahab in April.

In February, three British Muslims were released from an Egyptian prison after spending nearly three years in custody for allegedly belonging to a banned Islamic group. The three accused Egyptian authorities of torturing them during their captivity, but the government denied the allegations.

Russia warns UK on ex-agent’s death



Matt Dunham/Associated Press

An exterior view shows the façade of the Parkes Hotel in central London on Monday. British authorities said on Monday they were investigating two additional locations in central London in connection with the poisoning death of former Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko. The two sites — the Parkes Hotel and 1 Cavendish Place — were being monitored, the Health Protection Agency said.

BY JIM HEINTZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW — Russia’s Foreign minister warned Monday that continued suggestions of Kremlin involvement in the death of a former KGB agent could damage relations with Britain, which sent police to Moscow to expand the investigation into the London poisoning.

Lawyers for an imprisoned security officer, Mikhail Trepashkin, said he has key evidence in the case. They appealed to the British officers in Russia to collect testimony from him as soon as possible, saying his life was in danger.

Alexander Litvinenko, 43, died Nov. 23 in London after ingesting the radioactive

isotope polonium-210. In a deathbed accusation, he blamed Russian President Vladimir Putin for the poisoning. The Kremlin has vehemently denied the accusations.

Trepashkin, who is serving a four-year sentence in Yekaterinburg in the Ural Mountains for revealing state secrets, reportedly said in a letter from prison that he had warned Litvinenko several years ago about a government-sponsored death squad that intended to kill him and other Kremlin opponents.

“Trepashkin said he had information that could shed light on the killing” of Litvinenko, his lawyer Yelena Liptser told the Associated Press. “If the authorities don’t allow him to do that, that would

mean they are trying to hide something.”

In letters released by his supporters, Trepashkin said an officer of the Federal Security Service, a KGB successor agency known by the acronym FSB, offered him a chance in 2002 to join a group targeting Litvinenko, but he rejected it. Trepashkin quoted the officer as saying that “Litvinenko won’t escape Trotsky’s ice pick,” referring to the 1940 murder of Leon Trotsky by a Soviet agent.

Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov warned on Monday that continued suggestions of Russian official involvement in Litvinenko’s death could damage diplomatic relations.

In televised comments, Lavrov said he had spoken with British

Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett “about the necessity to avoid any kind of politicization of this question, this tragedy — the death of person is always a tragedy — and the necessity to avoid speculation on this subject.”

Britain’s Home Secretary John Reid said his government “got assurances ... that the Russian government will give us all of the assistance that is necessary.”

“The police are on their way to Russia and will go anywhere else where is necessary in order to investigate the circumstances of the suspicious death,” Reid told reporters on the sidelines of an EU Justice and Interior ministers’ meeting.

AP writer Vladimir Isachenkov contributed to this report.

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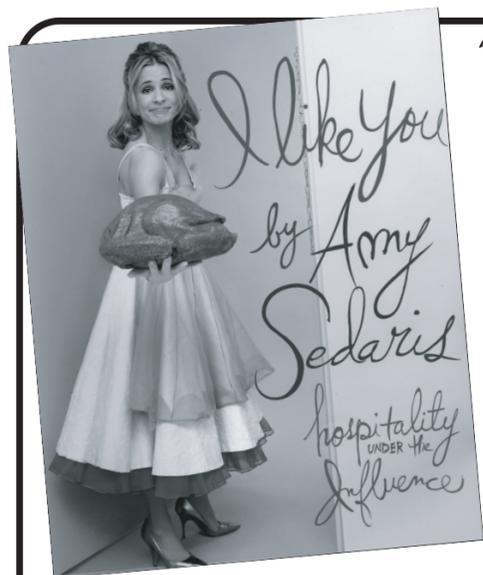
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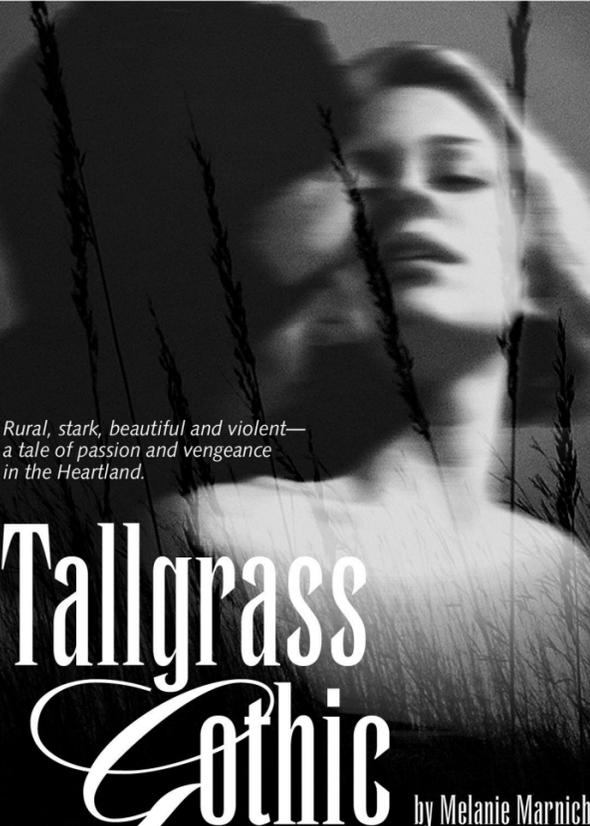
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EDITORIAL

Online protection act won't actually protect

The 1998 Child Online Protection Act, struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court twice for being unconstitutional, has surfaced again, as the Justice Department seeks to revive the act. It stipulates that if any operators of commercial websites allow minors to view pornographic material, they will be fined \$50,000 and face a six-month prison term. The law was signed by then-President Bill Clinton but never put into effect.

A reinstatement of the act would mean that pornography websites would have to demand proof of age before entry, through either a credit-card number, an adult-access code, or an adult personal-identification number.

The legal definition of pornography, like the language of the proposed act itself, is unclear. Ambiguous rhetoric, such as "contemporary community standards" pertaining to online restriction lines, is flimsy at best. If the material is so-called "obscene" and has no redeemable value besides arousal, it is deemed to be pornographic. However, the legal definition of "obscene" is even more long-winded and vague. Then-Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart, who could not define pornography, once wrote, "I know it when I see it." This is a telling statement on how the legal system still views the issue today.

The Supreme Court continues to uphold its decision in the case of *Ashcroft v. ACLU* on the grounds of free speech. John Ashcroft, a former U.S. attorney general, has been one of the leading crusaders in outlawing

anything even remotely resembling vulgarity. He did, after all, spend \$8,000 covering the breast of an art-deco statue in the U.S. Justice Department's Great Hall. It has since been removed.

Besides the argument of free speech, is it realistic to say that this law will actually work? Children can easily bypass website restrictions and adapt by using their parent's credit-card numbers, which are simple to obtain.

Some, including the ACLU, believe that the Child Online Protection Act would prevent useful sexual health information and important news stories, such as the Abu Ghraib prison photos, from reaching the public eye.

Instead, focus should be directed toward the greater danger for children: Internet chat rooms. According to a FamilyPC Survey, of those who participate in online chat rooms, and nearly one in five of those are sexually solicited or approached. These numbers have likely risen since the 2000 study. Weighing the two issues, the obvious superior threat is not with kids looking at dirty pictures or videos, it is with online pedophiles who prey on naive young people.

Government restrictions will not solve this problem; responsibility lies in the hand of the parents. Teaching kids and examining their Internet use will likely keep children off pornographic websites. But let us be rational: As long there is adult material out there, kids will find a way to access it. One bill is not the end-all answer to online accountability.

GUEST OPINION

Take a STAND against genocide

For more than three years, the Sudanese government has systematically supported a brutal killing campaign of its own people in the Darfur region. Government-sponsored militia groups, known as the Janjaweed, have destroyed villages, raped women, and murdered civilians. Nearly 400,000 people have been displaced, and approximately 90 percent of the villages completely destroyed. The situation is getting worse, and humanitarian-aid workers are being forced to leave the camps.

Pressured by activists across the country, the United States has taken valuable steps to end the conflict. In July 2004, the U.S. Congress recognized the breadth of the crisis by declaring the situation in Darfur to be genocide. The unanimous vote, in both the House and the Senate, seemed to demonstrate a genuine commitment to our often-made, never-kept, pledge of "never again." President Bush followed the resolution with his own proclamation of genocide only a month later. Too often, though, this rhetoric is not translated into real action. Words are not enough to save the hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians at risk in Darfur. Action is needed — now.

Many citizens and members of Congress blame the Bush administration for a lack of leadership, and some of this criticism is justified. Despite the recent appointment of a special envoy to Darfur, the administration has not consistently made stopping genocide in Darfur a top priority on its international slate. Congress has also failed the Darfurians. Though members have appropriated funds for humanitarian aid and peacekeeping, passed resolutions urging the president to take more action, and sent letters to United States, United Nations, and international officials regarding the genocide, it is clear from the gruesome situation in Sudan that Congress can do much more.

Iowa has fallen woefully short of providing Darfur the attention it needs. According to DarfurScores.org, a project of the Genocide Intervention



Network, the state of Iowa and Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, received a D grade. Grassley has consistently voted against bills that would provide aid in Darfur. We cannot tolerate this inaction from our own elected officials.

Legislators can take immediate action in the coming months to help promote a real peace in Sudan, improving their scores, while taking steps to end the genocide. First, Congress must secure enough financial support to bolster the existing African Union peacekeeping mission. Although the mission needs to be replaced by a U.N. force, it is currently the only force protecting civilians. Second, Congress must help to ensure tax-payer dollars are not being used to support the atrocities in Darfur. Genocide is an expensive venture, and the Sudanese government is using revenues from foreign companies to help fund its military campaign in Darfur, including the Iowa Public

Employees' Retirement System, which is Iowa's pension fund. Divesting from these companies is an effective method of placing economic pressure on the Sudanese government. To help further the success of the nationwide divestment movement, Congress must support federal protection for divestment from companies doing business in Sudan.

Finally, Congress needs to ensure that Darfur becomes a top priority for our country's lawmakers. Our members of Congress should constantly be speaking out, engaging the president, talking to constituents, and doing all they can to end the genocide. Only an increased commitment from the United States to end the genocide can help save lives.

While many have already lost their lives, countless more can be saved. If we act now, we can end genocide, and we can ensure that a future generation of Darfurians can take leadership

in providing a new future in Sudan. As students of the UI, we are doing our part to educate Iowa lawmakers and citizens about the atrocities in Darfur, in hopes it will translate into action in Congress. We are chartering a chapter of STAND, a student organization that is taking a stand to end genocide around the world through spreading knowledge and initiating action. In Iowa City, it is our mission to begin a group to meet these goals in the same way that Iowa State University, Grinnell College, and 600 other colleges and high schools have already done. It is our belief that, through unfaltering dedication to the cause and continued outreach, we can persuade lawmakers to take the Darfur crisis more seriously and make it a national priority.

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ON THE SPOT

What do you think the United States should do about the genocide in Darfur?



"I have no clue."

Melissa Crew
UI sophomore



"I think we should get more involved."

Benjamin Moore
UI senior



"First step, get rid of President Bush. Then, solve it."

Tessa Schmidt
UI senior



"I haven't heard too much about it."

Michael Zieglosky
UI employee

Peace out

Good news — peace wins. Well, at least it did in Pagosa Springs, Colo.

Well, if truth be told, peace itself didn't win; the peace symbol won. That's kind of the way the world seems to work these days; the symbol usually wins, not the thing, itself.

Helluva win, ain't it? But at least in Pagosa Springs, the peace symbol had a shining moment. You'll recall, perhaps, that a couple weeks ago, the symbol caused quite a stir in Pagosa Springs, when a couple, Lisa Jensen and Bill Trimarco, put up a 4-foot wreath in the shape of the peace symbol in front of their house.

So what? you say. What's in a wreath? And I would agree with you. Personally, in fact, I prefer Aretha Franklin — that's my kind of a wreath.

But Pagosa Springs took umbrage with the wreath. Or, at least, the homeowners' association did. That worthy group threatened to fine Jensen and Trimarco \$25 a day unless they took the wreath down.

No, really. One of the board members of that association even told a newspaper that he believed the peace symbol was the sign of the devil.

At which point, you'd be excused for wondering, What's in the springs in Pagosa Springs that these people are drinking? Can't be simple water.

As a matter of fact, according to the *New York Times*, "The peace symbol came to prominence in the late-1950s as the logo for the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, a British antiwar website, in accordance to the semaphore flag images for the letters in the group's name, a 'D' atop an 'N.'"

Now, I don't know if the devil exists or, if he does (or she does — if we're all going to be equal, we should all have equal access to evil), where he or she might reside. But I'm reasonably certain that, in the late-50s, the devil wasn't residing in that I antiwar group.

Not that I was there or anything. But I mean, these are the British. They're far too polite to be the devil. Yeah, I know; they have quirky accents and funny spellings, and they call perfectly good trucks "lorries," and they do unmentionable things with commas, but all that doesn't make them the devil.

Well, OK — the British did partition India in the late-40s into India and Pakistan, and that resulted in the death of around 1 million human beings, and that certainly can't be considered good.

That still doesn't make the British the devil. Short sighted human beings, yes, but, hell — we, all of us, are guilty of that, from time to time.

Not that our shortsightedness generally results in the deaths of around 1 million people — which is good, because otherwise, this would be a much more sparsely populated planet. And then, whom would you text message?

Of course, now that I think about it, my Irish grandmother did think the British were damn close to the devil. Not that she would ever use the word "damn." Hmmm.

Meanwhile, back at Pagosa Springs (not that any of us have been there), the peace-symbol wreath and the homeowners' association reaction to it (the devil?) caused a big brouhaha, large enough that it not only roiled the town, it made AP and the *New York Times*. The basic reaction seemed to be, "What is the association thinking?"

Or, perhaps the reaction was, "When is the association board going to start thinking?" In any case, that board backtracked, dropped the threatened fines, and the three board members resigned. (Two of them, according to the *Times*, disconnected their phones.)

Peace symbols apparently sprang up all over the town, including a 300-foot one stamped in the snow on a soccer field. And the town manager told the *Times* that the city was going to put up a large peace symbol on the bell tower in the town's center.

So, occasionally, it seems, peace wins.

Or at least, the symbol does.

And given the times, symbolism is probably the best we can hope for. Pagosa Springs does give me an idea for solving the mess in Iraq. Why don't we erect a large peace symbol in Baghdad, and say, "Mission Accomplished," lead, leave?

I mean, it worked for George W. and the aircraft carrier.

Didn't it? ■

Beau Elliot may not know if there is a devil, but he sure does like the devil's eggs.



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AMY GRANT. So I'm pretty sure I've recommended her before, but I don't care. Amy is the reason I get out of bed in the morning, and she's the voice that soothes my anxious mind to sleep at night. But most importantly, her three Christmas albums define the holiday spirit. If you're feeling Scroogish, listen to Amy. She's a most helpful Christmas elf decked out in Christian values.

ARTS & CULTURE

When escape is truly sweet

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Gwen Stefani is pretty sure she makes awesome music. In fact, the hook of "Don't Get It Twisted," one of the latter tracks on her sophomore release, *The Sweet Escape*, proclaims confidently: "Don't get it twisted / Don't get clever / This is the most craziest shit ever!"

The double superlative aside, she's a little bit right. After all, there's really no one in the current music scene making the kind of music Stefani does, so I suppose she's entitled to feel a bit smug. And while her tunes often straddle the lines between R&B, pop, electronica, and ... whatever the hell "Hollaback Girl" was, they are, by and large, extremely well-produced and almost impeccably catchy. And if at times it feels as though Stefani's either overreaching or falling short — well, the medium in between the two is certainly a happy one.

Stefani's first single, "Wind It Up," seems to be an example of this bravado; artists not fully sure of their abilities would have steered clear of the mere idea. The sample: yodeling, specifically the tune yanked from *The Sound of Music's* "The Lonely Goatherd." It's nothing if not inventive, and the verses are catchy in the chanting way that "Hollaback Girl" pioneered and Fergie has managed to form a career out of. The initial hook never quite gels with the other parts, however, and it seems tossed on for pure shock value more than anything else.

Three tracks later, thankfully, this slight disappointment is washed away by the auditory bliss that is "Early Winter," the album's best track by far and a fair comparison to the classic '80s work of Cyndi Lauper. Flawlessly produced, Stefani's vocal truly shines and makes you remember that she's at her best when singing an actual melody, though the singsonginess of the title track is undeniably cracktastic. "4 In The Morning" backs this up by becoming the closest thing to "Cool" *The Sweet Escape* has to offer, complete with shimmering electronic flourishes here and there.

But inevitably, the standout



CD REVIEW
Gwen Stefani
The Sweet Escape
★★★ out of ★★★★★

track (yes — even more so than the club-friendly "Wind It Up") is sure to be the duet with album producer Pharrell Williams, "Yummy." Honestly, the song goes beyond all normal definitions of "good" and "bad" that I've governed my ears by in the past. I listened and immediately knew that within three months, tops, I could count on hearing it blasting from the Summit on any given Friday night. Described by Stefani as "disco Tetris," the lyrics include the genius segment "I know you've been waiting / But I've been out making babies / And like a chef making doughnuts and pastries / It's time to make you sweat." It's the kind of song that is more comparable to a hurricane than anything else — unstoppable and guaranteed to shake things up.

From there, sadly, *The Sweet Escape* droops to its final conclusion, with a few forgettable pop numbers (among them "Breakin' Up," just as a reminder that songs about cell phones are just always going to be lame, always) before the disc is done. And while there's not much technically wrong with the final few songs, they seem utterly mediocre compared with the standouts the listener has just passed through.

The Sweet Escape certainly traverses some peaks and valleys throughout its 50-some odd minutes. Maybe the mountain-yodeling sample you couldn't get over at first was more thought-out than even Stefani could have guessed.

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Museum finds new Pod-ner

From a basic overview of the collection to highly personal interpretations, the UI Museum of Art's iPod tours, written by UI nonfiction writing students, offer something for everyone

DOWNLOAD THE UI MUSEUM OF ART'S IPOD TOURS ONLINE AT WWW.UIOWA.EDU/UIAMA/POD-CASTS.HTML.



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BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

In today's world of incessantly updated technology, museums struggle to remain relevant. So, when the UI Museum of Art started looking for another way for its audience to engage the collection last year, officials decided to turn to the one object most college students can relate to: the iPod.

"We wanted to do something that was using technology, not just the standard labels," said Dale Fisher, the museum's director of education.

The museum challenged the UI nonfiction writing students to write scripts for 15-minute iPod tours of the museum's permanent collection. From the entries, Heidi Julavitz, an author and the editor of *The Believer* magazine, chose three winners — the team of Eula Bliss and John Bresland, Brian Goedde, and Steve McNutt. Tours are now available for download on the museum's website.

Fisher said the museum decided to give the writers as much freedom to interpret the collection individually in their tours as possible.

"We didn't give anybody any directions, other than [the tour] being 15 minutes and that they shouldn't be afraid to be subjective," he said. "If we had wanted art historical labels, we would have written them ourselves. We wanted something a little more idiosyncratic and personal."

The strategy worked. Goedde, the second-place winner, has even based his tour on his experience as a former museum security guard. Titled *The Best Museum Benches in the Country*, the tour explains that Goedde never got to sit on the benches while working,



Publicity photo

Jackson Pollock's 1943 *Mural* is considered one of the centerpieces of the UI Museum of Art's permanent collection. In a new iPod tour available for download online, former UI nonfiction writing students Eula Bliss and John Bresland note that the dimensions of the work correspond almost exactly to the aspect ratio of wide-screen Hollywood epics and the plush leather chairs placed in front of the painting resemble those created for the home theater.

which has led him to believe that these benches are, in fact, the best museum benches ever. His tour instructs us to sit on certain benches and examine the views, a cute idea. The only problem is that, sometimes, benches move. I couldn't find the bench Goedde says is located in the African collection, and I spent so much time looking for it that I missed most of what he said about the art. Still, his tour is both fun and informative. I learned, for example, that Philip Guston, a friend of Jackson Pollock's who rejected Abstract Expressionism, painted his eerie *Young Mother* here in Iowa City — you can see the cityscape in the background.

My favorite of the tours, though, was first-place winners Bliss and Bresland's *Big Boy*, which offers a convincing interpretation of the museum in opposition to film.

"Today, our brains are instructed by the code of cinema," the tour begins. "Because the code requires us to watch passively, in a sort of

trance, we've gotten into this habit of relying more on the images and maybe a little bit less on ourselves. This is why when we go to museums, we end up disappointed. Alienated. Because something's missing. We know how to watch, but it's like we've forgotten how to see."

And not only do Bliss and Bresland offer a convincing argument, finding cinematic metaphor within Pollock's *Mural* and cubist works, but also dashes of wry humor. In the introduction, they quip that "nobody's here except for you — and about 14 security guards" and comment that "nothing in here moves," except, of course (cue dramatic pause and choir-of-angels music) *Big Boy* — the giant fast-food icon statue in the museum's sculpture court.

Steve McNutt's tour is much more formal. While this was my least favorite, the tour is a good choice for new visitors. It gives the most comprehensive sampling of the collection — McNutt is the only

winner to discuss the Art of the Ancient Americas, for example — but in doing so, he accomplishes less interpreting and more skimming. In addition, McNutt's description of the African collection seems to have been cut off, perhaps because of a technical difficulty.

Still, McNutt did manage to make me look closely at Robert Arneson's *Minuteman* sculpture, something I never thought I would do. (I now feel the grotesque figure should possibly be displayed facing the wall, because the words inscribed on the back of the sculpture, including "butcher" and "slaughter," tell me much more than the scary, deformed front of the face. Just a thought.) All in all, these three tours work well together, with something new for veteran visitors, while introducing newcomers to the essential works in the museum's collection.

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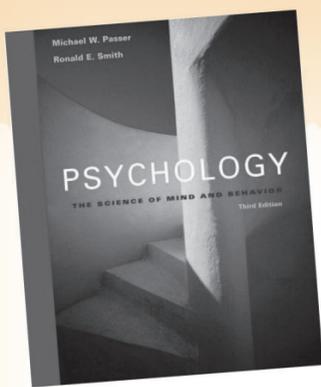


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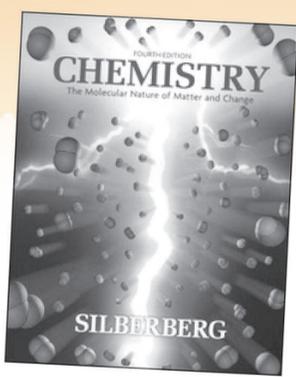
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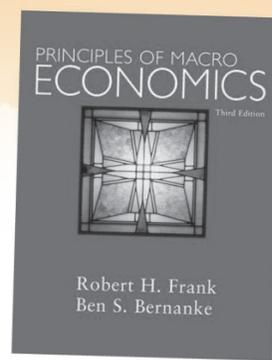
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Q: Who are the only two players in NCAA men's basketball history to lead the nation in scoring three times?

Answer on page 2B

BOWLSBY

Harris fired as Stanford football coach

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Walt Harris was fired Monday as Stanford's football coach, two days after finishing the worst season in more than four decades at the school.

Athletics Director Bob Bowsby announced the decision after a morning meeting with Harris. The Cardinal (1-11) finished their season with a 26-17 loss to rival California in the Big Game on Saturday.

"This has been a tough year," Bowsby said. "In some respects, this decision was not made as a result of a 1-11 season as much as not seeing the progress in critical areas we would have liked to see the last two years."

Harris had a 6-17 record in the first two years of his five-year contract. Details of his buyout are being worked out. Bowsby said he'd like to have a search for a new coach completed in two weeks.

Harris' team was devastated by injuries this season and finished with the most losses in school history and the worst record since an 0-10 mark in 1960.

The Cardinal have struggled mightily since Tyrone Willingham left for Notre Dame, following the 2001 season. They have not had a winning season in five years under Buddy Teevens and Harris.

NEBRASKA

Callahan apologizes for coaching job against Sooners

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska's Bill Callahan on Monday apologized to Cornhusker fans for his coaching performance in the Big 12 championship game.

But he wouldn't specify areas where he fell short in the 21-7 loss to Oklahoma on Dec. 2.

"I was disappointed in everything I did," he told reporters on a conference call. "I could have done a better job. I just didn't do enough. As I go through the week, I'm taking inventory of where we've got to get better, what changes we have to make. If we have to change some things, I'm going to change them. I'm looking at it really hard."

The third-year coach wouldn't elaborate on whether the changes would involve staff, personnel, or schemes, but he said he would do what it takes to make sure Nebraska competes at a championship level.

The Cornhuskers (9-4) out-gained the Sooners but committed five turnovers.

It was Nebraska's first appearance in the Big 12 title game since 1999.

"Our fans waited a long time for that, and I apologize to them," Callahan said. "I'm really, really upset with that performance. It all falls on my shoulders. I'm pretty aggravated, to say the least."

Mix-up may have fans seeing orange

BY DIANE HENDRICKSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Austin may be more than 1,000 miles from Iowa City, but after Dec. 30's Alamo Bowl, some Iowa faithful could know the Longhorns better than they ever wanted to.

As a result of a seating-chart snafu, fans who bought tickets from an online broker before Nov. 28 could be sitting in a

Because of a seating-chart error, some Hawkeye fans may be shocked when they get to the Alamo Bowl on Dec. 30.

sea of Texas orange and white.

Lori Nelson researched 10 to 15 different vendors right after the bowl announcement to get the best seats for

the best price. The Hawkeye fan ended up buying from TickCo.com.

But while on eBay, she noticed a seller touting Iowa-side tickets on the opposite

side from hers. He said he verified the information with the Alamo Bowl, and other ticket vendors had their passes mislabeled.

"I think other Hawkeye fans have done the same thing," Nelson said. "They're going to have a rude awakening when they're sitting with the Big 12."

Event Inventory, a company that

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GymHawks impress coach



Nikki Page flips off the vault during the Black and Gold intrasquad meet at the Field House on Dec. 2. Page is in her first year as a Hawkeye gymnast.

Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

At the Black and Gold meet, the women's gymnasts performed better than expected, showing improvement on the beam and vault — two events vital to team scores

BY DIANE HENDRICKSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

On paper, the Gold team looked clearly superior before the men's and women's gymnastics intrasquad meet. The teams were intended to be even, but a slew of injuries to Black tipped the scales heavily in favor of Gold. When it

came down to the competition, however, Black stepped up to the challenge.

The Gold squad won by only .025, but the performances left the women with optimism about the coming season.

"They showed real determination and guts," said coach Larissa Libby. "It was just an intrasquad, and we didn't need them to compete."

"Normally, they'd cave. That's the precedent we set before. They brought it."

The squad finished strong on balance beam — "the great equalizer" — the event Libby says can make or break a team's score. Michigan lost last year's

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Hawks wary of wily UNI

Iowa hopes to avoid the fate of the Cyclones, which have already lost to UNI. The Hawkeyes will play the Panthers tonight to begin a three-game in-state series.

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BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

Northern Iowa and Drake already knocked off Iowa State.

Now, the once second-tier state teams aim to upend a youthful Iowa team. But Hawkeye coach Steve Alford wasn't ready to proclaim a changing of the guard for state superiority.

"I hope not," Alford said. "We have not been a part of that guard, yet."

The Hawkeyes have their first opportunity tonight, when Iowa's three-game in-state series begins against the Panthers in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Northern Iowa has won three of the last five meetings against the Hawkeyes, including last season's 67-63 overtime victory in the UNI-Dome. Iowa has never lost to the Panthers in Iowa City.

The Hawkeyes should get a boost from senior Mike Henderson, who logged only eight minutes in Iowa's 83-67 win over Coppin State on Dec. 2 — his season debut. He missed the team's first seven games after fracturing a pinkie in early November, which required surgery.

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Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Kurt Looby goes for a dunk against Coppin State during the Hawkeye Challenge in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 2. Looby finished the night off with two blocks, and the Hawkeyes defeated the Eagles, 83-67.

COMMENTARY

Fantasy fisticuffs



CHARLIE KAUTZ

With the Iowa and Iowa State wrestling coaches nearly coming to blows in Sunday's meet, one DI columnist got to thinking — what coaches would make for great head-to-head fights?

With two legendary wrestling figures in the corners, two of the country's top-10 teams on the mat, and nearly 14,000 on hand to witness the action, the comparison of Sunday's Iowa-Iowa State meet with a championship heavyweight bout is a fair one.

The truth is, were it not for the restraint of referees and the need to continue the event, Carver-Hawkeye Arena might've turned into Madison Square Garden.

Replace the black and gold mat with a ring, scoreboard monitors with a row of judges, and 10 weight classes with 10 rounds of bruising left hooks and right jabs. You can forget about the Cy-Hawk series. The university could've held the state of Iowa's equivalent to Ali/Frazier — Tom Brands/Dan Gable vs. Cael Sanderson, Part I.

Sure, the scuffle that ensued following Mark Perry's 6-4 sudden victory over Travis Paulson was hardly a main event at Caesar's Palace, but what person in his right mind didn't want it to be? If you think everyone in that arena wouldn't have

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE										
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
New England	9	3	0	.750	281	165				
Buffalo	5	7	0	.417	212	249				
Miami	5	7	0	.417	207	222				
NFC										
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Indianapolis	10	2	0	.833	325	251				
Jacksonville	7	5	0	.583	259	174				
Tennessee	5	7	0	.417	221	294				
Houston	4	8	0	.333	199	270				
AFC										
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Baltimore	9	3	0	.750	256	160				
Cincinnati	7	5	0	.583	290	240				
Pittsburgh	5	7	0	.417	259	257				
Cleveland	4	8	0	.333	201	266				
West										
Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
San Diego	10	2	0	.833	377	237				
Kansas City	7	5	0	.583	257	236				
Denver	7	5	0	.583	215	188				
Oakland	2	10	0	.167	146	242				

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	GB
San Antonio	13	5	.722	—		
Dallas	12	5	.706	1/2		
Houston	11	5	.688	1		
New Orleans	8	8	.500	4		
Memphis	4	13	.235	8 1/2		
Northwest						
Team	W	L	T	Pct	GB	
Utah	15	4	.789	—		
Denver	10	5	.667	3		
Minnesota	7	9	.438	6 1/2		
Seattle	7	11	.389	7 1/2		
Portland	6	12	.333	9 1/2		
Pacific						
Team	W	L	T	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	12	5	.706	—		
Phoenix	9	6	.600	2		
Golden State	9	9	.500	3 1/2		
L.A. Clippers	8	8	.500	3 1/2		
Sacramento	8	8	.500	3 1/2		

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Chicago 100, Boston 82
Utah 101, Milwaukee 88
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Golden State at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Miami at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
N.Y. Islanders	14	9	3	31	79	71				
New Jersey	14	9	2	30	62	66				
N.Y. Rangers	13	10	4	30	88	87				
Pittsburgh	11	4	26	75	80					
Philadelphia	8	15	20	68	102					
Northeast										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
Buffalo	20	4	2	42	113	81				
Montreal	15	8	3	33	80	74				
Toronto	13	10	5	31	91	92				
Ottawa	14	12	1	29	96	73				
Boston	13	10	2	28	74	89				
Southeast										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
Atlanta	17	7	4	38	96	79				
Carolina	15	10	3	33	93	88				
Tampa Bay	13	12	2	28	79	89				
Washington	11	9	6	28	79	89				
Florida	8	15	5	21	69	96				

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
Nashville	17	6	3	37	91	72				
Detroit	14	7	4	32	65	58				
Chicago	10	12	2	22	60	86				
St. Louis	7	15	3	17	60	86				
Columbus	7	16	2	16	55	74				
Northwest										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
Edmonton	14	10	2	30	75	70				
Minnesota	13	11	2	28	74	70				
Vancouver	13	14	1	27	59	73				
Calgary	12	10	2	26	66	57				
Colorado	12	12	2	26	61	75				
Pacific										
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA				
Anaheim	20	3	6	46	102	72				
San Jose	18	8	0	40	85	59				
Dallas	18	9	0	36	75	58				
Los Angeles	10	15	4	24	81	99				
Phoenix	10	15	0	20	66	94				

Monday's Games

Boston 6, Montreal 5
Dallas 1, San Jose 0
Phoenix 3, Nashville 2
Edmonton 4, Vancouver 0

Today's Games

Florida at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Ottawa at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Columbus at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Carolina at Calgary, 8 p.m.

GymHawks seek balance

The DI previews the upcoming women's gymnastics season

BY BOBBY LOESCH

THE DAILY IOWAN

Not often is football associated with women's gymnastics. After all, a blitz and a balance beam are seemingly incompatible. But in terms of the upcoming season, Iowa women's gymnastics coach Larissa Libby finds a similarity through continuity.

"It's kind of like football," she said. "You have to go out and play for all 60 minutes. You can't just compete for two events; you have to compete for four"

Before opening the season against LSU on Jan. 12, Libby said, the Hawkeyes must fine-tune their talent, turning wobbles into spirals.

"The skills are pretty much there," Libby said. "We've got the base of we're going to accomplish. We just need form, polish, and execution of skills. All those little things are going to add up to be the difference."

The third-year coach singled out a nucleus of four players she expects to be leaders, starting with junior Katie Burke, who upgraded her difficulty on all four events from the previous season. Libby called Burke the team's emotional spark.

"When she's up, the team's up, and that's a difficult position to be in," she said. "Everybody looks at her as a person who's going to be a leader ... That's lot's of pressure, but she carries it well."

Sophomores Jennifer Simbhudas and Kara Pinjuz

round out the list with freshman Katie Turcotte — despite the newcomer's gripes about practice.

"She's one of those athletes who hates to train but loves to compete," Libby said. "But when she gets out the competition floor, she's about as good as you can get."

The coach likes that the team's influence isn't lopsided, seeing leadership from all the classes, not just the seniors.

Even with the drive to compete across the board, a light roster will be the team's biggest weakness this season — the GymHawks are missing a scholarship athlete because of a late transfer.

"It's going to be a hard run for us, this year," Libby said. "We don't have the depth that everyone in the country has."

Traditionally, gymnastics is no stranger to injuries, and based on the preseason alone, this year won't be any different. Unfortunately for the squad, a small roster means limited time to sit out.

"Jennifer [Simbhudas] is already injury plagued, with shin splints," Libby said. "It makes it hard to give her the rest she needs."

Regardless of the gymnasts' weaknesses, Libby isn't shy to discuss the goals — she's aiming high.

"I, personally, would like to win a Big Ten championship," she said.

The coach acknowledged the difficulty of the task but dismissed the notion that it was impossible.

"I think you earn and work for your miracles," she added.

If the Hawkeyes don't finish No. 1 in the conference, Libby won't call the season a failure.

"If we walk out of every meet knowing we gave it our all and left a great reputation in the eyes of the judges, that will be good enough for me, because that means we've done our job," she said.

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Libby

Women's

gymnastics coach

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Washington	7	10	.412	6						
Charlotte	5	12	.294	8						
Central										
Team	W	L	T	Pct	GB					
Detroit	11	6	.647	—						
Cleveland	10	7	.588	1						
Chicago	8	9	.471	3						
Indiana	9	10	.474	3						
Milwaukee	6	11	.353	5						

HAWKEYE SPORTS SCHEDULE

- Today**
- Men's Basketball vs. Northern Iowa, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 7:05 p.m.
- Wednesday**
- Men's and Women's track intrasquad meet, UI Recreation Building 5:15 p.m.
- Thursday**
- Women's Basketball at UW Green Bay, 7 p.m.

- Wrestling vs. Coe and North Carolina State, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 6 p.m.
- Friday**
- Men's Basketball vs. Iowa State, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 7:05 p.m.
 - Swimming and diving vs Iowa State, Fieldhouse Pool, 6 p.m.

A: Cincinnati's Oscar Robertson led the country in scoring from 1958-60, and LSU's Pete Maravich did it from 1968-70. Keydren Clark of St. Peter's almost became the third last season but finished third in scoring behind Duke's J.J. Redick and Gonzaga's Adam Morrison.

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

WHO WILL WIN THE ALAMO BOWL?

TEXAS — BY SEAN MONAHAN

IOWA — BY PAUL KAZMIERCZAK

Amid the excitement of Sunday night's de-feathering of Iowa State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena came very unwelcome news. The scoreboards confirmed to the 13,000-plus fans that Iowa's opponent in the Alamo Bowl is Texas.

The Hawkeyes face a daunting task in looking to repeat their performance from the previous trips to San Antonio.

Against Texas, Kirk Ferentz and Co. face an outfit that excels on both sides of the football, similar to this year's Michigan and Ohio State teams.

In Colt McCoy, the Longhorns have a young but already mature leader. While compiling 27 touchdowns during the season, eighth best in the nation, he completed a fourth-best 68.7 percent of his passes, giving him a fifth-best 164.07 passer rating.

Take McCoy out of the game, and Texas, which has a running back corps that matches, if not bests, Iowa's, will gash you on the ground.

Sophomore burner and high-school sprint champion Jamaal Charles gives Texas a legitimate home-run threat, averaging over five yards per handoff. His counterpart, senior Selvin Young, gives the Longhorns a veteran presence capable of shouldering a full workload — averaging 4.6 yards per carry, with six trips to the end zone.

Allow Mack Brown's crew into short-yardage situations or the red zone, and prepare for wrecking ball Henry Melton, listed at 270 pounds, whose six touchdowns are just one off the team lead despite only getting around a third of the carries of Young or Charles.

And don't expect to get into a shootout, either — the Austin-based squad's 36.75 points per game is just above 12 more than the Hawkeyes average per contest.

On the other side of the ball, Texas ranks 22nd in total defense, good enough to place ahead of Pete Carroll's vaunted USC unit. Against the running attack, Texas is second only to Michigan, allowing a sparse 58.8 yards per game. And despite lackluster play in the secondary, the reigning national champions only allow a 25th-best 17.8 points a contest, which hovers around a touchdown less than the Hawkeyes score per game.

The Hawkeyes will soon be trying to forget the Alamo.

Hold your breath, Hawkeye fans, I'm picking Iowa to topple Texas in this year's Alamo Bowl. This may come as discouraging news to some; I also picked Michigan to upend Ohio State, USC to play in the BCS championship, and Garrett Wolfe to claim the Heisman Trophy, none of which panned out. As far as predictions go, I'm the heir-apparent to Lee Corso.

On paper, Texas seems to have the advantage. Talented wide receivers Limas Sweed and Quan Cosby, along with speedy tailbacks Jamaal Charles and Selvin Young, give t h e

Longhorns better depth at skill positions, at first glance. But leaving Iowa receivers Dominique Douglas and Scott Chandler have combined for only 28 fewer yards than Sweed and Cosby have accumulated, and the Hawkeye tandem of Albert Young and Damian Sims have rushed for just 42 yards fewer than their Longhorn counterparts have amassed.

Moreover, Iowa quarterback Drew Tate has thrown for 2,349 yards, surpassing Texas freshman Colt McCoy, who has 2,262 yards through the air. Offensively, Iowa has the weapons it needs to win.

Texas began the season ranked second in the nation, only to be dismantled by Ohio State. Underwhelming victories over Rice, Iowa State, Sam Houston, Baylor, and Oklahoma State were coupled with narrow escapes at Nebraska and Texas Tech. The only notable Texas win came in early October, over then-No. 14 Oklahoma. The Longhorns clung to a top-10 spot, however, until embarrassing losses at Kansas State and Texas A&M left the team reeling and knocked out of the BCS picture.

The 12-7 defeat at the hands of the Aggies also knocked out McCoy, who suffered a pinched nerve in the game. Backup QB Jevan Snead has decided to transfer, leaving walk-on Matt McCoy, who has no career pass attempts, as the backup, in case the real McCoy can't play.

While the game will be held in Texas, don't expect the Longhorns to have a large home-field advantage. Fans who visited Florida for last year's Outback Bowl against the Gators can attest to the traveling prowess of Hawkeye faithful, who emboldened the team to a comeback stymied by several very questionable calls.

But I take it all back if Corso picks Iowa.



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— David Sandstrum, Iowa director of ticket operations

ALAMO BOWL

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provides a database and software for brokers, reversed the sidelines, putting the Big Ten on the away side, rather than home, said Julie Reynolds of RazorGator. Messages left Monday afternoon for Event Inventory managers were unreturned.

Reynolds said her company amended the seating charts on Nov. 28, when a customer noticed the mistake. She said buyers from her site were notified and should have been offered comparable seats.

She doesn't know how many fans are affected.

But Nelson doesn't think the company she purchased through — TickCo, which didn't return calls over the last several days — would have notified her if she hadn't contacted it first.

"I don't think it will tell people," the Bayard, Iowa, native said. "I didn't get a call back for three days."

Even though the seating charts have been fixed, some tickets are still labeled incorrectly.

On superbticketsonline.com and gotickets.com, two sets of passes from section 116 claim to be on the goal line on the Big 12 side, while other tickets from the same section are labeled Big Ten.

The site's seating chart doesn't even share which conference is on each sideline, but according to the official Alamo Bowl site, section 116 is on the Big Ten side.

Neither the Alamo Bowl nor the university can do anything about seats bought from ticket brokers.

Jennifer Duron, a representative of the Alamo Bowl, encourages people to only buy from its licensed partner, Ticketmaster.

David Sandstrum, the Iowa director of ticket operations, says people who buy from brokers "do so at their own risk."

"I advise anyone against buying from brokers," he said. "The University of Iowa is the only ... outlet to guarantee you're in the Iowa section."

He said to contact the company to see what it can do about an exchange.

As for Nelson, her hunt for tickets began again after she received a refund — but not an exchange — from TickCo. She ended up buying from Ticketmaster but only after checking with the Alamo Bowl website.

"I don't trust seating charts anymore," she said. "I decided to go safe."

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Hawks tired of UNI losses

BASKETBALL

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The Waterloo native isn't expected to start, but Henderson expects to contribute more than he did last weekend in the critical three-game set.

"I'll be ready for anything," he said. "This is what it's all about."

Northern Iowa's only setback so far this season came at nationally ranked and unbeaten Washington, a game in which the Panthers led by as many as eight points in the first half. First-year coach Ben Jacobson has taken over the Panthers for Greg McDermott, who left to take the Iowa State job, but Northern Iowa runs the same system, Alford said.

Forward Eric Coleman leads the Panthers, averaging 14.7 points and 8.7 rebounds a game. The 6-6, 240-pound junior torched Iowa for 19 points a year ago. Senior Grant Stout, another post presence, averages 10.7 points and eight rebounds per contest.

Northern Iowa's talented frontcourt should shift Alford's substitution patterns. Seven-footer Seth Gorney has played more than 20 minutes once in the last five games, and 6-10 forward Kurt Looby logged only seven minutes against Coppin State.

NORTHERN IOWA AT IOWA

When: 7:05 p.m.
Where: Carver-Hawkeye Arena
TV: KGAN, ESPN (nationally)

Iowa (4-4)		
F Kurt Looby	6-10 Jr.	5.8
F Cyrus Tate	6-8 So.	5.9
F Tyler Smith	6-7 Fr.	13.5
G Adam Haluska	6-5 Sr.	18.5
G Justin Johnson	6-6 Jr.	7.4

Northern Iowa (6-1)		
F Grant Stout	6-8 Sr.	10.7
F Eric Coleman	6-6 Jr.	14.7
G Travis Brown	6-3 So.	9.3
G Jared Josten	5-11 Jr.	6.1
G Brooks McKowen	6-2 Sr.	11.7

Both Hawkeyes have been prone to fouls, which could play an important role against the Panthers.

"The guards will try to do the best we can to keep their guards in front of us and keep our bigs out of foul trouble," Iowa sophomore Tony Freeman said.

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GymHawks improving

GYMNASTICS

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conference meet because of falls in the event.

"I can't think of a time we've ever stayed on the beam [before today]," assistant coach Talya Vexler said, noting that the GymHawks made no "gigantic" mistakes in any event and remained calm in their first competition.

The Hawkeyes also showed improvement on vault, the first event and important for a good start.

"We've been so bad at vault the last two years," Libby said. "But now, we have seven people who can vault."

Iowa's four freshmen were also impressive in their first time in a Hawkeye uniform. Jenny Donar, Katie Turcotte, and Nikki Page had solid floor exercises, and Rachel LaCasse performed well on the beam.

Sophomore Brandi Loffer, a member of the losing Black squad, said the women came into this meet more prepared than last year.

"We did a lot better than expected," she said. "There were only a couple mistakes, here and there."

With more than a month until the first meet, the GymHawks still have a lot to work on if they hope to improve on last year's sixth-place Big Ten finish. They ended last season with a 4-17 mark.

"We can use this month to

improve," Loffer said. "We can ... get ready and make things more crisp."

Libby already knows her top four or five in each event, but this competition gave her an idea of who can substitute in case of injuries. With the performances on Dec. 2, she has a lot of options to choose from.

"At any given moment, I can count on any of the 12," the third-year coach said.

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CASINO ROYALE (PG-13)
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HAPPY FEET (PG)
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BABEL (R)
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12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30

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COMMENTARY

Looking for coaches to square off

COMMENTARY

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paid big bucks for 10 rounds of relentless combat, you're crazy. Carver would've been packed to the rafters.

Envisioning what would be a tremendous showdown, I couldn't help but think about what other coaches in history I'd pay to see go blow-for-blow — Mike Ditka and Vince Lombardi, Dean Smith and Coach K, even Phil Jackson and Red Auerbach. All would be fantastic late-round fights. Moving more toward the

present, here are four head-to-head coaching brawls I would pay to see (and that Don King should start promoting, immediately).

Featherweight — Lou Holtz vs. Speech coach

Imagine lanky Lou slurring every word in the English language as a highly-skilled professional tosses uppercuts into his aging frame, bashing Notre Dame football and correcting his every pronunciation. An elderly warrior, I see Lou hanging tough but falling short in the late rounds, similarly to his beloved Irish. On the

bright side, would a few lost teeth actually make his speech worse?

Welterweight — Steve Alford vs. Steve Lavin

This slicked-back, greased-up showdown would feature two of America's favorite hair twins and present countless advertising opportunities. Painted with ads for L'oreal, Garnier, and Pantene Pro-V hair gel, the ring would play host to another thrilling bout in this one. I'd say a slight advantage goes to Alford.

Middle Heavyweight — Lloyd Carr vs. Urban Meyer

Throw the polls, computers, schedule strength, and key victories out the window. Want to play Ohio State in the national championship? Win the fight. Rather than blaming the media, conference championship games, and the fact Ohio State/Michigan was played in Columbus, blame yourself for getting knocked out. Take the control from the BCS, and earn your team's spot like a man. If a playoff system is out of the question, doesn't this solution make sense?

Heavyweight — Charlie Weis vs. Bill Parcells

Both lumber around the field, get animated on the sidelines, and fall a tad on the hefty side. Because of their physical similarities, I feel like Weis' fighting style would resemble Eric "Butterbean" Esch, which may be a positive. Parcells has shown he has no problem dealing with troublesome NFL players, but would he be able to handle the offensive genius of Weis? This one is too close to call.

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Giants exchange offers with Bonds

'Because we were pursuing other players didn't mean we weren't interested in Barry. We're trying to put the best team on the field and sign other people also. I guess it was misconstrued the other way.'

— Brian Sabean, Giants general manager

BY RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — The San Francisco Giants want Barry Bonds back. It's unclear whether the Boston Red Sox feel the same about Manny Ramirez.

Baseball's winter meetings opened Monday with a whole lot of talk and little action. St. Louis pitcher Chris Carpenter got a new five-year contract worth about \$65 million. On the free-agent front, San Francisco completed deals with Rich Aurilia and Pedro Feliz, and Seattle completed an agreement with Jose Guillen.

Some other contracts were nearing agreement. Joe Borowski, whose physical caused Philadelphia to back away last week, was closing in on a deal with Cleveland, and David Weathers was nearing a contract with Cincinnati. But the remaining big names on the market were still in the preliminary phases of talks.

Barry Zito's agent was scheduled to meet with the New York Mets — chief operating officer

Jeff Wilpon arrived Monday evening. Agents for Jason Schmidt and Ted Lilly also were due at the meetings, with multiple teams interested.

Zito's old team, the Oakland Athletics, was interested in Mike Piazza, who would replace Frank Thomas as their designated hitter.

With the meetings just under way, the price of pitching has scared many teams off from even midlevel talent.

"It's like I tell my wife when she goes shopping: Just because you have the money doesn't mean you have to spend it all," Cardinal general manager Walt Jocketty said.

The winter meetings are a time when teams inquire about nearly every player in the game. Yankees general manager Brian Cashman, who repeatedly has said he won't trade Alex Rodriguez, said teams still keep inquiring about A-Rod's availability.

"I still get some stragglers," he said.

occurred when Giants general manager Brian Sabean said he is exchanging offers with Bonds' agent, Jeff Borris. Sabean was scheduled to meet with Borris on Monday night.

"I don't know where the story line came from that we didn't want him back," Sabean said. "We've had a long-standing conversation and offer out there that we've adjusted a number of times. Because we were pursuing other players didn't mean we weren't interested in Barry. We're trying to put the best team on the field and sign other people also. I guess it was misconstrued the other way."

Borris was angry when the Giants didn't offer arbitration Dec. 1 to the seven-time NL MVP, coming off a \$90 million, five-year contract. The 42-year-old outfielder has 734 homers, 21 shy of Hank Aaron's record.

"We need a presence, a fourth hitter," Sabean said. "Obviously, he can still play baseball. He can still hit a baseball and is a threat in the middle of the lineup."

San Francisco did agree to an \$8 million, two-year contract with first baseman Rich Aurilia and a \$5.1 million, one-year deal with third baseman Pedro Feliz. The Giants also are nearing agreement on a three-year deal with catcher Bengie Molina. Second baseman Ray Durham agreed to a two-year, \$14.5 mil-

lion contract on Dec. 1, and 11-time Gold Glove shortstop Omar Vizquel is signed through the

2007 season. AP writers Mike Fitzpatrick, Jimmy Golen, and Janie McCauley contributed to this report.

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SPORTS

Deconstructing baseball

The shot heard 'round the world: Baseball, nationalism, and globalization in the 19th and 20th century is a newly developed historical-issues class being offered this year. Pertaining to the relationship between baseball and global issues, it meets the historical-perspective general education requirement.

BY RYAN YOUNG
THE DAILY IOWAN

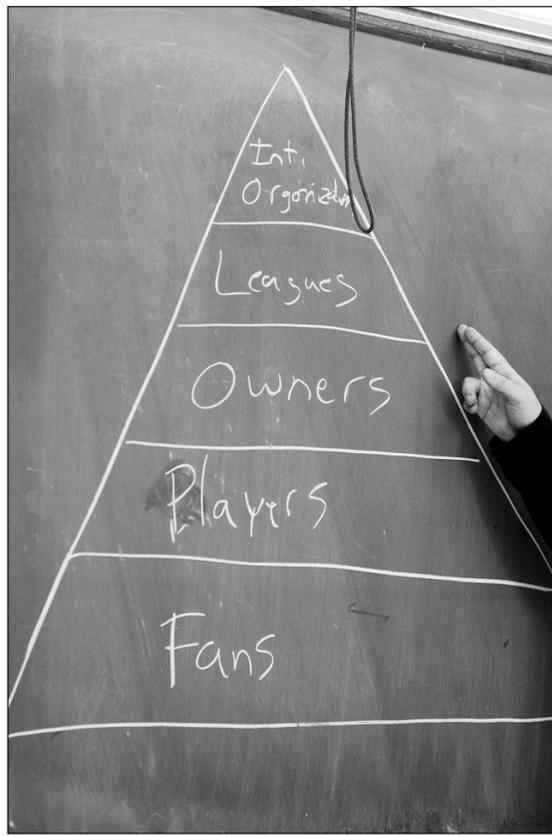
Last spring, UI graduate teaching assistant Robert Starkins was given the assignment of creating and instructing a social-issues course pertaining to the political impact of a worldwide phenomenon. So he came up with The shot heard 'round the world: Baseball, nationalism, and globalization in the 19th and 20th century.

Offered twice next semester, early Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, the historical-perspectives course uses America's past-time to explain international diplomatic and economic issues. This is the first year it is being offered. Fifty of 54 spring seats were filled on ISIS as of Monday.

"Baseball is particularly important, because it has a really important role in creating a national identity, not only in the United States but other parts of the world," Starkins said. "It instills certain values and morals that increase the probability of being successful within the capitalist environment."

The sport played a prominent role throughout his childhood, he said, and as he got older, he realized there was more taking place behind the scenes than just nine men standing around on a field.

Yet, he said, combining the concept of sports with historical analysis of global affairs isn't a revolutionary idea in the world. With the booming worldly significance of athletics over the past 30 years, it's easy to use baseball to explain the development of past cultural and governmental



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TA Robert Starkins teaches the class The Shot Heard 'Round the World: Baseball, Nationalism, and Globalization in the 19th and 20th Centuries in Schaeffer Hall on Monday morning.

trends — specifically in Japan and Latin America.

"It relates with students a lot because it's something that most people have a relationship with, whether they love it or hate it," the self-proclaimed New York Met fanatic said. "It's something in their everyday lives that I'm trying to get them to look at in kind of a new way."

In particular, the course examines baseball's development in other

nations, contribution to society, and how Major League Baseball develops talent across the world.

"Obviously, there are other forces at work, here," Starkins said. "It's not like we're sitting down looking at box scores or anything like that. It's more looking from the top-down and seeing what some of the effects of the game have been over time."

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Sharp divide in Asian Games

BY ERIC TALMADGE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOHA, Qatar — Kazakhstan is a wonderful country, with beautiful mountains and lakes, says Yevgeny Kuznetsov. Just don't try to find a decent bowling alley there.

"Maybe about 60 people bowl seriously in my country," he said.

When it comes to playing sports in Asia — especially the more obscure or more expensive ones — it isn't always easy to find a place to train.

"I had to go to the Florida," Kuznetsov said.

He bowled his first game four years ago, while vacationing with friends in United Arab Emirates. He's now on the Kazakhstan national team.

And it's not just bowling.

Doha is hosting the Asian Games — the biggest sports event on the world's most populous continent — and the difference between the haves and the have nots is clear. Asia's strongest sports nations — China, Japan, and South Korea — are also among the richest and the most willing to spend money on athletes.

While Chinese swimmers can expect big bonuses for winning, some Palestinian athletes had to buy their own uniforms. Iraq's lone pair of women beach volleyball players had to train indoors — not on sand — for lack of a proper beach venue.

"We are present here just to show that Iraq exists," Liza Agasi, who paired up with her sister for the games, said after a drubbing by the Japanese in their opening match on Dec. 2.

With small budgets and limited interest, many countries in the Asian Games don't have the resources to put together teams for such events as sailing or softball, which has only five teams. Shooting, meanwhile, has a full field — often with police officers or soldiers filling out the list of competitors.

Kazakhstan has possibly the saddest hard-luck story. When the equestrian team from the former Soviet republic realized it couldn't afford to fly its team and horses from its base in Germany to Doha, it decided to drive nearly 4,400 miles to the Arabian

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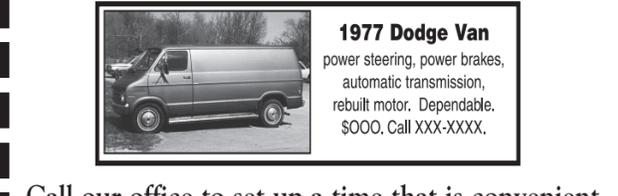
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2 bedroom on Westside, close to Melrose. Quiet neighborhood. On busline. Available now. Flexible lease. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

205 Fifth Street, Coralville. Three blocks to Iowa River Power, two bedroom, \$625 plus utilities, W/D, fireplace, available December. (319)530-8700.

614 E. Jefferson. Large two bedroom, 800 sq.ft. Refrigerator, microwave, two A/Cs, \$780. (319)358-2903.

942 23rd Ave. Place in Coralville. Two bedroom, \$625 plus utilities. W/D, fireplace, skylights, available January. (319)530-8700.

946 IOWA AVE. Basement. All new. 900 sq.ft. Dishwasher, microwave, laundry, heated floors. Parking. Rent \$700/ month plus utilities. Available January. www.buxhouses.com (319)354-7262.

ANDOVER GARDEN on Haywood Dr. Great space with 1-1/2 bathrooms, C/A, lower level or 3rd floors. No pets. \$575-625. Ivette Rentals, (319)337-7392.

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REMODELED two bedroom units on Westside, close to football stadium, medical, dental schools and U of I hospital. Heat/ water paid. \$575- 595, flexible lease. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

SUBLEASE available, two bedroom, one bathroom. Emerald Court Apartments. (217)836-5148.

SUBLET apartment, two bedroom. Three blocks from campus. Parking. I pay sublease fees. (309)370-0015.

TWO bedroom Woodside Drive in Iowa City. \$625 H/W paid. Dishwasher, W/D on sight. Available end of December. Call (515)988-6069.

TWO bedroom, carport, storage, laundry facilities, pets allowed. (319)358-7139.

TWO bedroom, Coralville, available now. 970 sq.ft. \$595/ month, water paid. Balcony, C/A, free parking, laundry on-site, on busline. (319)339-7925.

TWO bedroom, Knoxville Garden Apartments. Sublet January to June. Pets okay with fee. Great location. \$540/ month. (319)931-4878.

TWO bedroom, no smoking, in quiet house and neighborhood. Close to park. Off-street parking. Pets? \$775 water paid. (319)331-1120.

TWO bedroom, top floor. \$600/ month. K-Mart area. 545-2075-1.C.

TWO bedroom, two bath apartment one block from UIHC. \$770/ month. (319)936-0227.

TWO BEDROOM

TWO bedroom. Secured building. W/D, dishwasher, C/A, water paid. (319)338-4774.

THREE / FOUR BEDROOM

FIRST MONTH FREE 620 CHURCH STREET 4 bedroom, close to campus. C/A, \$1400. SouthGate (319)339-9320 s-gate.com

THREE bedroom apartment. New paint, vinyl, and appliances. On busline. 961 Miller Ave. Available immediately. \$745/ month, H/W paid. (319)337-2685 or (319)430-2093.

THREE bedroom townhouse near City High, W/D, no pets, lease, \$750 plus utilities. (319)621-4653.

THREE bedroom one bathroom apartment. 216 E. Market St. \$1065 plus utilities, \$45 parking. Available January 1, 2007. (515)468-0854 or (515)250-8054.

THREE bedroom, two bathroom two stories, 1450 sq.ft. Five blocks from campus. Bedroom with walk-in closet. Laundry, dishwasher, parking. Only \$1100. Available January 1st. (319)936-4456.

DUPLEX FOR RENT

\$600. Eastside, quiet two bedroom, easy walk, parking, C/A, W/D. 102 Clapp. (563)528-1202. Gary.sloat@gmail.com

CLEAN, quiet, two bedroom. December free. 2260 Davis St. Small pet. \$560. (319)330-2281.

EAST, big, sublet, three bedroom. Garage, dog okay. \$790 plus utilities. (319)981-1275.

THE NICEST duplex in Iowa City. Three bedroom, 3-1/2 bathroom, 3 car garage, geothermal heat and A/C. New in 2005. 10 blocks east of Pentacrest. No smoking and no pets. Available August 1. Rent is \$1550. Call 631-1236 or visit. www.parsonsproperties.net for more info.

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BEAUTIFUL townhouse, two bedroom plus end upstairs. Great room with fireplace. Two car garage. 709 Scott Park Dr. December 1. \$1150 plus utilities. (319)337-7392. www.ivetapartments.com

BRAND NEW two bedroom condo, new appliances with W/D in unit! Wonderful westside location close to UI Hospital, Law Building, and Kinnick Stadium. Off-street parking spaces, C/A, quiet, secured access. Available 1/1/07. flexible lease. Please call Tim at (319)541-3437 if interested.

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FURNISHED. 2003 condo for sale or rent in North Liberty. Two bedroom, 1-3/4 bathroom, 1020 s.l., top floor, next to Community Center (bus to UIHC/ VAMC/ downtown IC). W/D, dishwasher, garage, deck, secured building. (319)321-4901.

LARGE three bedroom townhouse, two baths, skylight, off-street parking, W/D, C/A, yard, internet. No smoking, no pets. After 6:30p.m. (319)354-2221.

NICE two bedroom condo, garage, W/D, fireplace, patio, busline, Coral Court. \$645 sublease. (319)541-0824.

TWO bedroom, one bathroom. Air, W/D, dishwasher, carport. Eastside. \$595/ month. (319)330-7368, (319)337-7368.

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— Former Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart.

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Re-examining a few more well-known sayings

• “An apple a day keeps the doctor away.” Perhaps, but a lack of health insurance will also keep the doctor away, and that's even cheaper than an apple.

• “Do not look a gift horse in the mouth.” Really? How'd that work out for the Trojans?

• “Don't count your eggs before they're hatched.” Agreed. They're easier to count after they've hatched. Zero! Zero eggs!

• “Honesty is always the best policy.” Sure, but the premiums are ridiculous, and the deductible is usually my balls.

• “Clouds always gather before a storm.” Well that's just basic meteorology.

• “A wise man hears one word and understands two.” Wise men, apparently, are a bunch of schizophrenics.

• “Curiosity killed the cat.” Or did it? Wouldn't you like to know?

• “Half a loaf is better than none.” With two notable exceptions: a loaf and Meat Loaf.

• “Fine feathers make fine birds.” No, fine birds make fine feathers, as well as other fine birds. Someone never had that special talk with their parents, huh?

• “Last ship, best ship.” Tell that to those beauty judges over at the America's Cup.

• “One cannot shoe a running horse.” Ah, but one can shoe a running horse, and Juan can shoe a running horse. Juan's awesome.

• “Look before you leap.” Also, stop leaping — you look ridiculous.

— Andrew R. Juhl finds the claim “He who knows nothing, doubts everything” to be highly dubious. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu.

horoscopes

Tuesday, December 5, 2006
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): It's time to take a little spin down memory lane. Once you do, you will know exactly how to clear up loose ends so you can move forward without any baggage. Love relationships are looking good. This is a fabulous day for talks and to get things happening.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Use your talents to benefit you instead of letting disappointment or anger get the better of you. Today is all about the way you handle others and the way you handle money.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Just hold things together, don't appear to be fickle, and you will have everyone eating out of your hand. You will be high on life and love, and you can make some major headway in both your personal and professional life today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): If you can keep a secret, you will be successful. You need to use your head, your wisdom, and your know-how to get your way. An older or more experienced will help you see things more clearly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Everything is looking like fun and games for you. A challenge will put you in a better position. Emotions will be close to the surface, allowing you to get answers and clear the air.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a close look at what everyone else is doing before you volunteer your services. Make sure you don't take advantage of others or let them take advantage of you. This is a good time to reflect and to make self-improvements.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Stop procrastinating when you have so much going for you. Talk about your plans, and you will stir up interest. Love is on the rise, and you will feel much more stable in your efforts to succeed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Everything that you have been working so hard to achieve is finally starting to fall into place. Talk to people who can make a difference to your future. Sharing at this point will give you the added momentum you need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can blow situations out of proportion at an emotional level, or you can turn this into a highly progressive and passionate day. It's up to you. Stop and think about the end result and consequences before you make your move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A serious look at your investments will reveal what you have to do in the future to ensure financial security. A creative look at the way you make your money will help you pick and choose a little more wisely in the future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take a stab at doing something you are good at, and you will find a way to make some extra cash. You should strive to help others who may have fallen into a similar trap that you have experienced.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): This is no time to share your thoughts. Stick close to home, and keep your mind on the things you have to get done. Take care of matters that have absolutely nothing to do with your personal life.

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today's events

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- **Medicare Options Seminar**, 9 a.m., AW Well Insurance, 24 Westside Drive
- **Pharmacology Department Visiting Seminar**, “Apoptosis, Bcl-2 Family Proteins and Mitochondrial Morphogenesis,” Richard Youle, 10:30 a.m., 2117 Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **DeGowin Blood Center Blood Drive**, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Levitt Center
- **Campus Activities Board Event, Coffeehouse Music**, noon, IMU Wheelroom
- **Pharmacology Department Ph.D. Thesis Seminar**, “Cbl-mediated Mechanisms of Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor Trafficking,” by Kathryn Stern, 1 p.m., 2-501 Bowen Science Building
- **Woodwind Ensemble Concert**, New Horizons Band, 2:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Obedient Servant or Expressive Voice: Exploring Calligraphy's Spectrum**, new calligraphy exhibit, 4 p.m., Mercy Hospital atrium, 500 E. Market
- **Mother's Day Too Soon**, Photography Exhibit Reception, 5 p.m., UIHC
- **Cattle Decapitation, Lair of the Minotaur, and DAATH**, 6 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **Library-Community Writing Center, writing help from UI tutors**, 6:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Movie Night, Flying Tigers**, 7 p.m., Alexis Park Inn, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **Israeli Film Series, Joy**, 7 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
- **La Moustache**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Clarinetist Maurita Murphy-Mead and Pianist Rafael Dos Santos**, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **Factotum**, 9 p.m., Bijou
- **Throwdown Free Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- 3 p.m.** Lecture Committee presents Frank McCourt
- 4:30** Keynote Address by Colin King, Goldsmith College
- 6:30** Iowa Women's Basketball Coach Lisa Bluder's Meeting with the News Media
- 7** Lecture Committee presents Frank McCourt
- 7:30** Keynote Address by Colin King, Goldsmith College
- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Iowa Women's Basketball Coach Lisa Bluder's Meeting with the News Media
- 10:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 10:45** Lecture Committee presents Frank McCourt

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THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By Michael Mepham

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SOLUTION TO MONDAY'S PUZZLE

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DILBERT

by Scott Adams

CATBERT: EVIL DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

EVERY ABSENCE COUNTS AS ONE "OCCURRENCE" WHETHER IT IS ONE DAY OR MORE.

I JUST GOT A HEADACHE. I'LL SEE YOU IN A YEAR. OR AS I LIKE TO CALL IT, ONE OCCURRENCE.

IF SOMETHING IS WORTH HAVING, IT'S WORTH ABUSING.

'NON SEQUITUR

BY WILEY

NO, I DON'T THINK I HAVE VERY HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR. WHY DO YOU ASK, DEAR?

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

SO TELL ME MORE ABOUT THE FIRM, EARL...

WELL, AS I SAID, WE'VE BECOME NICHE PLAYERS, SPECIALIZING IN LOBBYING FOR GAMING INTERESTS.

GAMING? HEE, HEE! WHAT A BEAUTIFUL FIT FOR YOU! HOW MANY OTHER LOBBYISTS CAN SAY THEY WERE HOME SCHOOLED IN VEGAS?

UM... ABOUT THAT, POP. I'VE BEEN CLAIMING I WENT TO YALE LAW.

I COULDN'T BE PROUDER GOT YOUR BACK.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 1024

- ACROSS**
 - 1 Proofer's mark
 - 5 Hinged fastener
 - 9 "Fiddlesticks!"
 - 14 In person
 - 15 Gen. Bradley
 - 16 Get in touch with
 - 17 Flooring measure
 - 18 Like some pizza orders
 - 19 Skylit lobbies
 - 20 Desktop container
 - 23 Banned insecticide
 - 24 Place to rehearse
 - 25 Wine bottle datum
 - 27 Get-up-and-go
 - 28 Take step one
 - 32 Army one-striper: Abbr.
 - 35 Trash receptacle
 - 37 Dairy case buy
 - 38 Belgrade native
 - 40 Subject of a cigarette rating
 - 41 Think ahead
 - 42 Ocular woe
 - 43 Fast-food dispenser items
 - 46 Norm: Abbr.
 - 47 Exhaust tube
 - 49 Small battery size
 - 51 It may be filed
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 - 55 Unit of work
 - 57 Software flaw
 - 61 Mustard choice
 - 63 Sites for studs
 - 64 Bit of dust
 - 65 Pong maker
 - 66 What's more
 - 67 In a bit, to bards
 - 68 Mandrake's forte
 - 69 New driver, typically
 - 70 Hatchling's home
- DOWN**
 - 1 Prelude to a duel
 - 2 Runs out of steam
 - 3 Media attraction
 - 4 It sits in a saucer
 - 5 Nickname on "M*A*S*H"
 - 6 Oil company that merged with BP
 - 7 It's a long story
 - 8 Cowherd's tool
 - 9 Bedtime appeal
 - 10 Good to go
 - 11 Crusty bakery buys
 - 12 Battery fluid
 - 13 "Come tankin'?"
 - 21 Think tank nugget
 - 22 Cannon of Hollywood
 - 26 On the peak of
 - 28 Close call
 - 29 The O'Hara estate
 - 30 Heroic deed
 - 31 Sweet on, with "of"
 - 32 Low-key "Hey!"
 - 33 Cheese in salads
 - 34 Blubberer's binge

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Puzzle by Gail Grabowski

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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